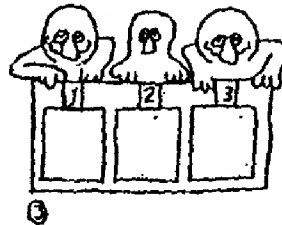
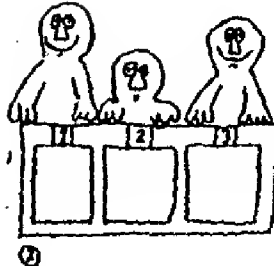


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If you don't possess a set of house rules, please give me a note and I'll mail them to you !

ZAT for ROSMERTA, SERAPIS, TANIT, URANOS,
WOTAN, XEINE, YGGDRASIL and ZEUS: Tuesday, 1st June 1993 !
ZAT for VESTA, Tuesday, 4th May 1993 !

Dear friends,

there is a negative and a positive fact to tell you and the positive is that the "Diadokhoi" game is more than full. I'm only waiting for the complete rules from Pascal Boulerie, which hopefully can be sent to the potential participants of the games.

The negative and more intriguing fact is that the "Bundepost" has increased the mail rates on the 1st April. I have not checked it out fully how much it will cost to send the Diplomat to all of you, especially to the oversea players. But it seems that postal rates for German players are increasing from DM 0,60 to DM 1,00 and for European players from DM 0,80 to DM 1,10. This

means that all future issues of D for Germans and all other Europeans will cost DM 3,00 from now as long as doesn't contain more than 28 pages. I'm sorry, but that's the way it is !

This can only be achieved by reducing the format of D to A 5 in order to stabilize the costs (for Europeans outside Germany it is even reduced), but I don't guarantee you that I can fill each page regularly. It's easier to produce one more page to get an even number of pages for the copy shop than produce an additional for 2 or 3 pages for the digest format (you know the 4-pages-problem arising ...), but I'll do what I can !

The real problem are the oversea players. If I would not reduce the size of the zine and therefore the weight Diplomat would cost each oversea player DM 10,00 for postage + the copy costs of more than DM 2,50. Don't blame me but the "Bundespost", which doesn't allow any longer to send you an A4 sized issue of D for a reasonable price. When reducing D to A5 size by now I have even to buy new envelopes for you oversea players in order to get a cheaper postage rate for "Airmail/Luftpost". To send any kind of letter by Airmail from Germany has become really expensive and so I'm forced to offer all future issues of D for a rate of DM 6,00 per issue, of which DM 4,00 are for postage. Nasty, isn't it ?

I think I will cut some oversea trades and offer to these publishers to maintain a regular sub for Diplomat if they would like to receive it in the future, especially to those who doesn't send me their publications regularly.

An alternative would be to drive to Holland when a new copy of D has been released. The border is an hour away and the Dutch mail, especially airmail, isn't that expensive as it is in Germany in these days. I could combine it with some shopping, buying cheap coffee and some other things, but is it worth the effort ?

Concerning the games Pascal Boulerie has told me by now that is not ready with the rules for "Diadokhoi" and that we still have to wait for some more time. I will close the waiting list for this game now at least and we'll see afterwards who will be lucky to participate. It will turn out as an international game.

URANOS, the "Woolworth II-D" variant is finished in this issue and congratulations to Ralph Baty and Fred C. Davis, who won the game by 3-Way-Draw. I thought we could start another "Woolworth II-D" game once this one has ended, but there are only two players interested up to now. If no more subbers wants to get put down on the list I will abandon it after next issue.

A new national game is full, which will get the name of Zeus (after that I have to look for a new category of names - any ideas ?). For the next issue could, please, anyone listed somewhere in this issue confirm his interest in playing in this game and send a preference list ?

Again: Please, send in your orders on different sheets of papers if you play in several games ! I'm no longer willing to cut out those orders from one letter and perhaps even stick it again together when you even write your orders of one game on two different pages !!! Thanks in advance !

John Breakwell confirms his interest to gm a game of the variant "Downfall" and already send me the map and he's typing up the rules of this variant as he has to choose from several sets. He also sent in a good political and info article on water dam projects, which I have to hold over as this issue is already more than full. Sorry, John, it will come next issue, but many thanks. We are waiting for the rules !

Enclosed you'll find an article of "The Charter of the World Dip Con Society", which I received from Iain Bowen, editor of the British Zine Y Ddraig Goch (The Red Dragon), who lives at 5 Wigginton Terrace, York, North Yorks. YO3 7JD, England. Iain is also Chairman for organizing "World Dip Con IV", which will take place in Birmingham in July 1994. Iain asked me to act as a distributor for Germany and Austria. While I would accept this charter one or another of you perhaps has - sent your thoughts and amendments directly to Iain or to me. This Charter is also one reason to found a National German Dippy Federation - perhaps Germany could host WDC V in 1995 if France does not want to ? What do you think of all this ?

Again I'm late and in the last moment I received Volker's WOTAN adjudications. Voler, for a normal A5 envelope you have to pay DM 3,00 by now (due to the format !), not only DM 2,00, which cost me some DM 2,00 "Strafporto" ! The lateness is due to some short holidays we took in the ZAT week. We went to Holland by car and took the ferry boat to reach the West Frisian island called Terschelling to stay with two good friends and their 4 year old daughter. The weather was fine - only one rainy day - and we enjoyed walking on the beach, looking at the North Sea (NTH), eat some fresh fish and shrimps and did a lot of bicycle riding. Very enjoyable and most, relaxing !

Anyway, business as usual: Enjoy the Zine and don't forget to send in yours orders in time !

THE CHARTER OF THE WORLD DIP CON SOCIETY

Version 1.03 (Draft for discussion); 1st March 1993

To be presented for adoption at World Dip Con IV (Birmingham, UK, July 1994)

1. Definitions, Purposes and Membership

- 1.1 World Dip Con is an annual international Diplomacy convention; hosted by another convention.
- 1.2 The World Dip Con Society exists for the purpose of selecting a site for each successive World Dip Con.
- 1.3 Each person who has registered for and is attending a World Dip Con is considered a member of that year's World Dip Con Society. When World Dip Con is a separate event requiring separate registration within another larger event; then only those who have registered for and attended the World Dip Con are members of the World Dip Con Society. Membership in any other organisation may not be considered qualifying or disqualifying in this regard. No absentee person is a member of the World Dip Con Society. No body corporate is a member of the World Dip Con Society.
- 1.4 The host convention shall have the following duties to World Dip Con:
 - 1.4.1 to host a Diplomacy tournament at the convention. The Winner of the tournament shall be awarded the title World Diplomacy Champion for that year
 - 1.4.2 To conduct a World Dip Con Society meeting under the usual rules of meetings.
- 1.5 All voting during the World Dip Con Society meeting shall be by QUALIFIED NATIONAL VOTE. The voting may be in the open (by show of hands or cards) or by secret ballot as the Chairperson of the meeting decides. Members of the Society vote as individuals but no total sum of a nation's votes within the meeting of the World Dip Con Society shall exceed the total of 10 votes. If more than 10 voters at the meeting come from a given nation; the number of votes being cast for each site is expressed by the formula (no of votes/no of national votes)*10 The nationality of a voter is determined by his/her nation of residence. Any ties will be broken by the Chairperson having a casting vote. There shall be no absentee or proxy voting.

2. World Dip Con Site Selection

- 2.1 The World Dip Con Society will meet have one meeting, which may be spread over several sessions, at each World Dip Con to select the site for the World Dip Con¹ for two years hence. This meeting will be not earlier than the second day of the convention. It will be at a time and a place which will have been publicised at least 1 day in advance, and communicated to all players at the Diplomacy tournament. The meeting shall be held in a language suitable for the largest number of members of the society to conduct a debate.
- 2.2 Any individual or group wishing to bid for the next World Dip Con will be given sufficient time, not to exceed 15 minutes, to present that bid to the Society. If a representative from

¹In 1994, the Society will decide the site for both 1995 and 1996; this is due to the lack of a formal procedure before this date. This will be the only exception to this rule, except under 3.4.

a bidding site is unable to attend then a written bid may be submitted to the Society by that group. This bid will be presented to the Society by the Chairperson of the meeting. Written material may be used to supplement such bids; but all costs of such material must be paid for by the bidders. The order that the bids are made in shall be determined by lot.

- 2.3 After all the bids have been presented, any member may propose that none of the bids be accepted, and that the decision be referred to the host committee. If this is passed, then the host committee may either i) Select a site or ii) Pass the selection to the next year's World Dip Con.
- 2.4 For the purposes of World Dip Con administration and rotation of the convention site, the World is divided into 5 regions.
 - 2.4.1. Region I(British Isles) consists of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, The Republic of Ireland, The Isle of Man, and the Channel Islands.
 - 2.4.2. Region II(Europe) consists of territory encompassed by the following sovereign countries within the European land mass as of 1/1/93: Albania, Austria, Belgium, Belarus, Bosnia, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Lands, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Rumania, Russian Federation, Spain, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, Yugoslavia
 - 2.4.3. Region III(North America) All states of the United States of America plus the Territory of Puerto Rico, Canada and the Republic of Mexico.
 - 2.4.4. Region IV(Australasia) Australia and New Zealand.
 - 2.4.5. Region V(Floating Region) This region encompasses the following, all of which are equally qualified to bid:
 - 2.4.5.1. Any country or area of a country not defined in the above zones.
 - 2.4.5.2. Any nation in Region II; which did not hold a World Dip Con in this rotation.
 - 2.4.5.3. Any DipCon region² in Region III; which did not hold a World Dip Con in this rotation.
- 2.5 The World Dip Con site must be rotated among the regions. For any given World Dip Con year, one region is eligible to bid for the convention, as follows (see 2.6 for bids from outside these regions):

1995: Region II	1996: Region III	1997: Region IV	1998: Region V
1999: Region I	2000: Region II	2001: Region III	2002: Region IV

The regional eligibility will then continue to rotate in the above sequence.
- 2.6 If the motion of 2.3 is not put, or is put and defeated, a vote shall be taken between the bids presented. Each member may vote for one bid to abstain. If one bid has more than half the QUALIFIED NATIONAL VOTE (See 1.5), it is selected. If not, then the bid with the least QUALIFIED NATIONAL VOTE is eliminated and a new vote is taken from the remaining bids. This process continues until one bid is selected.
- 2.7 A bid may be submitted from outside the Region which would be normally eligible to bid under the provisions of Section 2.4. However, in counting QUALIFIED NATIONAL VOTES (see 1.5) for any such bid, each vote in favour will only count as ½ of a vote.
- 2.8 Whilst lack of the following does not preclude a bid for the site of World Dip Con; the World Dip Con Society should regard the following as being guidelines towards what will make a good World Dip Con site.

²North America is divided into 4 regions for its national convention, Dip Con. Details of these regions and their rotation sequence is available on request.

- i. The site should be easily accessible for international attenders.
- ii The site should have reasonably priced accommodation, either on site or within walking distance.
- iii The hosting convention should have been running for at least two years at the time of bidding..
- iv A Diplomacy tournament should have been a major feature of the hosting convention at the time of bidding.
- v World Dip Con should be the major event at the hosting convention
- vi The hosting convention bear in mind the costs of international travel and shall attempt to reduce costs for its international attenders if this is possible.
- vii The Diplomacy tournament should have at least two rounds.
- viii The hosting convention shall be at least two days in length.
- ix It is desirable that allowances are made for players in the Diplomacy tournament whose native language is not that of the host nation; by, if possible; grouping them with other players with whom they share a common language. A similar amount of consideration should be given at the World Dip Con Society meeting.
- x World Dip Con is not just about the play Diplomacy; but about encouraging Diplomacy players from around the world to meet and share their experiences. It is desirable that some informal social functions are also provided at the convention.

3 Administration

- 3.1 The World Dip Con Society has no formal committee; its committee for its next meeting is held to be the committee of the hosting convention. One of these members should be allocated special responsibility for World Dip Con.
- 3.2 The hosting convention has complete responsibility for making all the preparations for the up coming World Dip Con and will produce a newsletter to keep the world hobby at large informed of the World Dip Con's progress. The hosting convention's committee shall arrange all other aspects of the convention which must include the aspects listed in section 1.4.
- 3.3 The member of the committee with the special responsibility for World Dip Con shall chair the meeting of the World Dip Con society; if he/she cannot be present; he/she shall nominate someone to be Chairperson of the Society's Meeting. The Chairperson of the Meeting shall produced within two calendar months of the Society Meeting - a report of the activities of the meeting.
- 3.4 If the committee of successful site for World Dip Con cease to function as a convention committee in the intervening two years; then its powers devolve upon the National Diplomacy Association (or failing the existence of such) the National Boardman Number Custodian. They shall do what is necessary to either revive the convention to reallocate the site within the hosting nation. Should they not be able so to do; then they should announce that there is to be no World Dip Con that year and pass on the responsibility for that site selection to the next year's World Dip Con where the Society meeting shall then select a site for both the forthcoming year's World Dip Con and the ordinary selection year.

4 Amendments to this Charter

- 4.1 Any member may propose an amendment to the Charter by submitting it to the responsible member of the hosting committee two months in advance of the Convention. The hosting committee must publish such amendments at least one month before the convention, but may at their discretion combine like amendments as long as substantive changes are not

made in the text of the amendments. Persons submitting amendments may, at the discretion of the hosting committee, be charged the cost of publication of these amendments. If payment is requested and refused, the hosting committee is not longer obligated to publish to introduce that amendment.

- 4.2 Ordinary Parliamentary procedure applies to the consideration of all amendments. An amendment is considered adopted if a 2/3 majority of the QUALIFIED NATIONAL VOTE is in favour of it. They then become the first items of business for the next World Dip Con Society meeting.
- 4.3 All amendments approved must then be ratified at the next World Dip Con held in a region other than the one in which they were adopted. When ratified they become effective at the end of the World Dip Con at which they are ratified unless they modify the Rotation of World Dip Con, in which case they take effect at the start of the next rotation..

5 Enactment

- 5.1 This Charter becomes effective immediately on its ratification by QUALIFIED NATIONAL VOTE at World DipCon IV. Amendments at this convention require only simple QNV to be passed.

TF: Thanks very much to Iain Bowen, who lives at 5 Wigginton Terrace, York, North Yorks. YO3 7JD, England. If you have any comments on this Draft Charter or would like to see something changed, please send your suggestions and considerations to Iain in order to produce a final version. The deadline is the 1st of September 1993, but as sooner you send in your comments the better !

Also, I would like to discuss this Charter with the German Dipdom members at the upcoming Zine Con, if possible. I will bring copies with me for those who haven't read it in the zine and perhaps we could come a step further to a German Dippy Federation ?

Waiting List:

International Diplomacy: Michael Gonsalves, Andreas Stielau, Martin Meckel,
Markus Schreiber, Leif Kjetil Tviberg - two more wanted !
National Diplomacy: Martin Brumm, Hans Sommer, Christian Freudenthaler, Wolfgang
Friedrich, Thomas Scheben, Martin Meckel, Markus Schreiber - full
Downfall (GM: John Breakwell, int.): Marc Houston, Peter Tücksen - more wanted !
Woolworth II-D (int.): Ulrich Schlobinski, Ralph Baty - three more wanted !
Diadokhoi (GM: Pascal Boulerie, int.): Thomas Franke, Hans Sommer, Martin Burgdorf,
Per Westling, Ola Hansson, Thomas Scheben, Markus
Schreiber, Leif Kjetil Tviberg
Barbarian, Kingdom & Empire (GM: Ingolf Markhof): Pascal Boulerie
Standby List for Dip: Claude Gautron, Jerome Spinoza, Pascal Boulerie, Michael Gonsalves

Running low with the subscription of Diplomat, please, fill up and send me some bucks:
Bruce McIntyre, Karl-Heinz Temme, Ulrich Stähr, Garrett Schenck, Larry Peery, James Nelson,
Christoph Schunck, Norman Berdichevsky, Sean McGonigle, Malcolm Smith.

MAIL-BOX

Markus Schreiber (Münstermaifeld, Germany): To say something about Yugoslavia, I have set up a map some time ago. It shows the distribution of the population in former Yugoslavia. I think it's already about three years old. I've only painted who's got the majority in the territories. Perhaps this is the solution of the problem and the future borders of the splintered provinces will be drawn like this. The areas, where two population groups are represented in equal numbers could be controlled by the UN for an indefinite time. But first the guns have to fall silent ! An additional problem would be that the Greeks would never let Macedonia be an independent state. They say that Macedonia is Greek territory (i. e. a well-known Macedonian: Alexander the Great). I also got a caricature by Horst Haitzinger on this topic. It's from August 1991 but you could think it's from yesterday.

TF: As far as I'm informed the Greeks do not claim the territory of the former Yugoslavian republic of Macedonia. What they let worry is the fact that this state is now independent and goes on to bear the name of Macedonia - the Greeks fear that this Macedonia claims the second biggest Greek city, Thessaloniki, and it's surroundings. Therefore they say that Macedonia was always Greek and will be always Greek and thus no other state has the right to bear this name. But they don't keep in mind that the Macedonians of the Ancient time including Alexander were called semi barbarians by the ancient Greeks, which didn't belong to their people ! But nowadays Macedonia was always their's ! Thanks for the cartoons and the map, which I'll try to publish.

Ola Hansson (Roseburg, Oregon): I would be interested to play this variant (Diadokhoi) in your zine, so I would like to have a suscription to Diplomat, and to have the rules for "Diadokhoi" sent to me.

Although I am living in the USA right now, I'm from Sweden, and am only staying here one schoolyear as an exchange student. This means that from June 21, my address changes

As you have surely noticed, there is no payment for a subscription included in this letter. The reason for this is the terrible rates for getting pounds (£££) here in the USA, compared to Sweden where I am from. My parents should be sending you a letter with payment for the subscription, with my name and address given there also.

I hope that I can participate in "Diadokhoi", but if the vacant places are already filled up, I would still like to have the subscription on Diplomat. I hope that you will send me the rules, etc., as soon as you've received your payment.

TF: Welcome to the zine and I have already received some Marks for the sub from your parents. You could send me bank notes from the States do, but don't change the money or send it by international money order or something else as it too expensive. Just put some Dollars into an envelope along with a regular letter and that's fine. I don't have to pay any fees at the "Bundespost" to change it into Marks. Are you also interested in an international regular Diplomacy game ?

Leif Kjetil Tviberg (Oslo, Norway): Your zine Diplomat has been recommended by Per Westling and as I would like to try a non-Scandinavian zine I want to ask for a subscription.

Please, put me on the waiting list for "Diadokhoi" and Regular Diplomacy. I also need rules for "Diadokhoi".

Concerning payment: It's quite expensive to transfer money abroad from Norway (the fee is NOK 50,-, that is approx. 12 DM). If you've got any other Norwegian subscribers please, inform me, and we can coordinate payments. if you have post account, please, inform me if you have any.

TF: Thank you to and have a look above, please. The same applies for Norwegian Crowns. Unfortunately I don't have any other Norwegian subscriber - you are the first one !

Daniel Barnes (Munich, Germany): I have recently played several times a new game of which you should all take notice. It is excellent ! From Timjim Games now comes **OUT-POST**. This is a game, somewhat like "Civilisation" but much more flexible and SHORTER. The game is good for 3-8 players (4-5 being optimal). The game is about 30 minutes per player, so usually 2-3 hours. Each player is a commander who must go into Space and build a new

colony. With revenue from simple factories, more complex factories are built: more money is earned. Each round, new technology cards (like Civilisation cards) are up for action and be **bidded on**. These auctions are much fun, and every game is different because of the variance of the dice roll which determines which new technology cards will be up for auction.

My job at the City Asylum shelter is still holding out, though we now usually must work alone, insted of being in teams of two, for a shelter with 110 refugees.

TF: I would like to see this game Outpost and play it - perhaps you could bring it along to HexaCon or later on, to ManorCon. Where can you buy it ? Also, the German version of "History of the World" is now out under the name "Empire", released by "Welt der Spiele". it looks very fine and costs around DM 80,00 with the rules entirely in German, but it's very easy to supply it with English rules too. I don't if it's already available from Avalon Hill and Gibsons Games.

Jonathan Palfrey (Järfälla, Sweden): Thanks for *Diplomat*. I often feel like replying, but don't have the time.

Malcolm Smith comments in *Diplomat* 20 that the people in Stuttgart are mean because they don't tip much in restaurants. I don't think this is necessary a sign of meanness, it's just that some countries don't.

Many American and English people assume that they must give a 10% tip in restaurants, and they work it out as if were some kind of tax, whereas most people in continental Europe just leave behind the small change. I don't think American and English people are particularly generous, they're just obediently following their own national custom.

The custom of tipping seems to me an archaic remnant of mediaeval attitudes (you study history, perhaps you can comment on this). Most people who do a job these days get a salary and don't expect anything more. Why should it be different for waiters ? Observe that the waiters get a tip but the chef doesn't. This is all so arbitrary.

I normally tip waiters, because it's the custom, but I think it's a silly custom and I'd prefer not to do it. Why be 'generous' to waiters and not to other people ? I prefer to be generous to my friends.

You didn't respond to Malcolm's comments on this subject, but in fact I think that small tips are normal all over Germany, not just in the Stuttgart area. I lived in West Berlin in 1976-77, and I seem to remember that people tipped there just as they do in Stuttgart.

TF: Thank you very much for your THURB 25, which I enjoyed very much, especially your trip to Israel. Must have been expensive to include all the pictures into every copy !

Well - what hall I comment on tipping in Germany ? Of course it's a nationwide custom too and the Swabish (die Schwaben) are not tipping that much because they are usually very mean, other than the other German people. However, I agree to your view on tipping. I always tip a small amount if I was please in a restaurant (but for sure not 10%), but if the waiter made me angry, you had to wait too long or the meal didn't taste I don't give anything. The same applies for hairdressers (especially if they are nice girls ...), which earn very little in comparison to other professional salaries. If I'm not pleased or low in change money I don't give any tipping - it's reall not a tax and 10% is far to much in a restaurant. In other countries you have to tip anyone doing you a favour (bakshish), especially in the Mediterranean countries !

By the way, do you have any idea if there's a font of Ancient Greek available for the Mac-Intosh ?

Marc Houston (London, England): Not much to say about Bosnia/Yugoslavia, but I notice in some of the 'glossy' U. K. wargaming magazines that some 'ultra modern' wargamers, as they call themselves, are producing their own little scenarios for Bosnia and Croatia. Don't you think that this is a bit sick - seeing that this is a current conflict, underway, and causing untold suffering for hundreds of thousands ? Also there is a game, a board game, based on 'Desert Storm'. Do you understand the mentality of people that would play soemthing like this ?

Maybe I'm overreacting, but I'm quite interested to hear the reactions of other players. Personally, I will not consider refighting by boardgame or with models any conflict that has occurred within living memory. In effect this takes us back to the great war of 1914-1918.

TF: I have seen 'Desert Storm' in the local games shop and I was also a bit shocked. Like you I generally wouldn't play any wargame after WW II, especially not those in which you can use the 'nuclear option'. It's far too serious and the players trying already out scenarios of the Yugoslavian Civil war must be really mad !

Claude Gautron (somewhere in south east Asia, probably Singapore by now): Thailand has many historical and archaeological places sites to visit, especially in the north. This week I visited Sukhotai, Thailand's ancient capital - most of the ruins date from the 13th to the 15th centuries AD, and consist of monasteries and temples with magnificent Buddha statues. Another city, of the same era, Si Satchanalai, is noted for its beautiful pottery and ceramics, which were exported throughout the Far East. Many stone inscriptions (in the Pali language ?) have been found, some dating to the 9th century, though none as ancient as the ones you are studying ! Next week, I'll be in Chiang Mai - a city which has as many temples as Bangkok - and Chiang Rai. The history of Thailand is really in part the history of Buddhism. The weather here is very pleasant, +36 degree Celsius, though the sun can get quite hot in the afternoon. Many tourists are travelling in Thailand, and especially many German tourists ! I hope you received my two previous letters (with 20 DM for my subscription) and I'll await your next letter (with Diploma) in Bangkok. Take care

TF: Thanks for another report on Thailand, Claude, I confirm that your letters with 20 DM and the last one with 10 DM arrived safely. I don't know any Pali inscriptions, even not the name of the language ! Let us know when you'll go to Indonesia !

Fred C. Davis (Ellicott City, Maryland): We saw scenes at the Rhein-Main AFB on TV, showing preparations for the big air drops into Bosnia. Guess Rhein-Main is going to be a very busy place for a while. I'm glad to see that the U. S. is finally going to take an active part in helping the Bosnians, but I'd like to see all of the NATO powers get together and take some joint action to end horror there. I could understand the hesitancy if Bosnia were located somewhere in Africa or Asia, but, good lord, Sarajevo is located some 250 English miles from Austria. Inge said some of the scenes from Sarajevo reminded her of WW II. It's time something is done to end the war.

TF: Rhein-Main was always very busy and now looking forward if the Serbs will violate the UN prohibition to send their planes in the air over Bosnia-Herzegovina. It turned out - well, 'helpful' - that German soldiers are allowed to carry out their duties in the AWACS planes by the "Verfassungsgericht". But what will follow next ? The German Luftwaffe over Yugoslavia - again after 50 years ?

Bombing the Serbian artillery positions around Srebrenica and Sarajevo by the UN air forces would be an appropriate answer to stop the horror there ! And anyone who still tries to negotiate with these murders Karadzic and Milosevic is untrustworthy on my opinion !

Pascal Boulerie (Montreuil, France): To John Breakwell - the war in Bosnia will go on if the Western countries cannot wage a big war against Serbia. But such a large conflict would be too costly: Where will the money be found ? I think the West has gone broken, there is a big economic crisis, and no country can afford to send soldiers for peace's sake. See what's occurring in Somalia, and elsewhere in Africa. The UN has no money ...

TF: But its should spend and save more money for such 'police tasks' - there should be an existing and effective 'world police' to stop such nasty and minor conflicts !

Pascal Boulerie: About the Arab World: Tonight I'm watching Arabic music on the French TV. there are Arabic songs from Jordan, Egypt and Syria. They are horrible: It's a mixture of Disney and disco, with a muslim background. I find it ridiculous (actually, in 1991, I spent a year in Djibouti watching Egyptiana telefilms on the TV there.

On the Ottoman Empire: I've recently watched 'America, America', the film by Elia Kazan. I've also watched a TV serial about Aristotle Onassis. It gives a hint of the behaviour of Turkish soldiers, concerning the status of Armenia and Greek people, but it can also teach us something about the Serbian people, which lived under the Ottoman yoke for some five centuries. Remember also that Beograd (Belgrad), the capital city, was destroyed 38 times during history.

38 times destroyed, 38 times rebuilt (in a documentary film about Danubia, by Cousteau).

TF: But all of that is no excuse for the massacre on the Bosnia muslim people - are we still living in the Middle Ages or in the 20th century ?

Pascal Bouleris: The complete rules (for "Diadokhoi") are not read, it will be easier for me to start the game "outside" the zine, before I can use the D ZAT. I think I need two A4 pages for "Diadhokoi", results, 1) results 2) map. Here is an example of the game I am currently gm-ing in France in Vortigern. Could you publish it in D as an example for your players ?

TF: If I have the space to publish it in this issue I will do so, if not, I will include it next issue ! Two pages is fine, which are reserved for you and you can run the game outside D, if you want. However, I expect that every season will be published in D and that I get a copy of the two pages even if I don't play in the game. Please, try to complete the rules for the next D issue. Is that all right ? D'accord ?

Fred C. Davis: I guess you saw some scenes of the World Trade Center bombing in New York City. We've visited the WTC, of course, so I'm familiar with the area, just a couple of blocks from Wall Street. As I write this, no one seems to know which terrorist group set off the bomb, but the news tells us that 17 different groups have phoned to take "credit" for this act. Seems every terrorist group in the world has a cell in the U. S. Security has been very lax since the ending of the Cold War. There were not even any closed-circuit TV cameras in the 5-level parking garage in the WTC. I think I can predict that cameras will be in place before that garage reopens !

The U. S. has been very lucky in not having many terrorists bombing in recent years. Many Libyan and Iranian terrorists haven't been intercepted before they even got here. I guess our luck finally ran out. I would imagine that security at the airports and many key buildings will be vastly increased now.

TF: Yes, of course I have seen those scenes - horrible, but now they have caught this Egyptian fundamentalist muslim. A lot more could have happened, but I think that someone must be really mad to put such a large bomb under such an important building !

Christian Thielscher (Alfter, Germany): Betrifft STINKENSAURUS. Nachdem Du zwar die anderen Mitspieler, aber ausdrücklich nicht mich aufgefordert hast, den Spielverlauf zu kommentieren, habe ich mich zurückgehalten, aber die Einlassungen, die Du im Diplomat Nr. 20 veröffentlicht hast, treiben einem ja die kombinierte Scham- und Zornesröte ins Gesicht ! Daher möchte ich den Kommentar gerne nachholen. Möglicherweise wirst Du als Hg. ihn zensieren. Ich bin gespannt.

TF: Mea maxima culpa in D 19 - es war natürlich nicht persönlich (gegen Dich und wen auch immer ... ?) gemeint bei der Aufzählung der einzelnen ehemaligen Mitspieler, die noch Abonnent des D sind, aber nicht mehr das Spielende erlebt haben. Ich habe Dich schlichtweg nur vergessen und dafür möchte ich mich entschuldigen, aber ich denke auf der anderen Seite, daß keiner einer persönlichen Einladung zur Abgabe eines Game End Statements bedarf. Wer jemals an einem Spiel teilgenommen hat, ist aufgerufen, einen solchen Bericht zu verfassen und es ist traurig, daß Du Dich auf den Schlips getreten fühlst, weil ich vergessen habe, Dich aufzurufen und die anderen, die ich speziell benannt habe, nichts von sich haben hören lassen ! Im übrigen pflege ich nicht zu zensieren - ich heiße ja nicht Karlheinz Koch

Christian Thielscher: Wenn man die Kommentare von Uli, Michael, Hans und Thomas sorgfältig liest, gewinnt man zunächst den Eindruck, daß hier eine faire und mittelmäßig interessante Partie zu Ende gegangen ist. Allerdings ergeben sich einige Widersprüche, besonders im Blick auf das "Strohmann-Problem". Die Widersprüche lösen sich auf, wenn man eine wichtige Zusatzinformation hat, Uli hat mir kurz nach seinem Einstieg in das Spiel gesagt, daß für sein taktisches Vorgehen durchaus nicht (nur) das Spiel zähle, denn: "Hans muß unbedingt mal einen Dämpfer bekommen".

Der Standby war von Anfang an partiell ! Genau dadurch ist das Spiel völlig gekippt, während bis zu Ulis Einstieg das Bündnis A/R stärker als das Bündnis F/I war, waren danach

A/R gegen G/F/I chancenlos - man zähle einfach mal die SCs von Hans, der das Bündnis A/R klar dominierte und aufgrund seines bis dahin überragenden Spiels verdient gewonnen hätte (ich war mit einem zweiten Platz nach dem unglücklichen Start hochzufrieden), sollte plötzlich je nach Gnade der Sieger bestenfalls Dritter, evtl. Vierter hinter I, möglicherweise sogar Fünfter hinter I und mir werden.

Nebenbei möchte ich erwähnen, daß sich mein Bündnis mit Hans erst im Spiel ergeben hat, anfangs hatte ich mit T gegen A gespielt, bi T mich gestabbt hat). Anders gesagt: **G hat aus Sicht Austrias - und auch aus meiner - tatsächlich so gespielt wie ein Strohmann.** Insofern sind die reaktionen von hans nur zu verständlich. Auch ich habe zunächst geglaubt, Uli sei von Michael ins Spiel geschleust worden. Daß dem nicht so war, habe ich inzwischen zur Kenntnis genommen, insofern entschuldige ich bei Michael, allerdings kann ich mich nicht erinnern, ihn "beschimpft" zu haben (ist es eine "Beschimpfung", wenn man jemanden fragt, was er "dem Standby gezahlt hat"?).

Jedenfalls wollte Hans, nachdem er plötzlich nicht mehr gewinnen durfte, aus dem Spiel aus-dropfen. Da ich daran im Spiel nichts mehr ändern konnte, habe ich mich entschlossen, selbst auszudropfen, in der Hoffnung, dadurch das unfaire Spiel zerstören zu können. Das habe ich in zwei ausführlichen Briefen dem GM gegenüber begründet. Wieso Thomas schreibt, er hätte mein Drop-Out nicht so ganz verstanden, ist mir wiederum unverständlich.

Es war für den GM nicht vorhersehbar, aber man sollte es im Nachhinein nicht verschweigen: Die Einsetzung eines Standbys war keine gute Idee, hat das Spiel völlig umgedreht und Hans um den verdienten Sieg gebracht. Schade! - selbstverständlich gilt abschließend dem GM auch mein Dank für seine Mühen.

TF: Danke, aber gehen wir jetzt ins Eingemachte, wobei ich einiges so nicht stehen lassen kann. Unangenehm stößt mir natürlich auf, daß Du zugibst, das Spiel nur verlassen zu haben, um es gegebenenfalls zu zerstören, denn das ist mit **Sicherheit** kein halbwegs legitimer Grund, einfach auszudropfen! Ich hatte das vermutet und deshalb habe ich es nicht verstanden, weil es dem Ehrenkodex eine Dippy-Spiels widerspricht. Theoretisch wärest Du ein Fall für die "Schwarze Liste", aber sei's drum - man kennt Dich ja sonst als zuverlässigen Spieler

Was genau zwischen den Spielern vorgegangen ist, kann ich natürlich nicht beurteilen, aber **wenn** ein Land in civil disorder geht, müssen **alle** übrigen Mitspieler damit rechnen, daß ein Standby eingesetzt wird (siehe Hausregeln D). Der GM hat da gar keinen großen Einfluß darauf, denn wer zuerst kommt, mahlt zuerst !!! Und mit welchen Argument hätte ich Ulis Bewerbung ablehnen sollen? Daß er nicht in Euer Konzept, daß Austria Erster und Russia Zweiter werden sollte, paßte, kann für mich in **keinem** Falle eine Rolle spielen und ein Spiel ist erst bei 18 Zentren oder einem Draw gewonnen!

Mir sind - ehrlich gesagt - die Fronten, die hier offenbar aufgebaut wurden, nicht einsichtig!

On this and that

by Markus Kässbohrer

Pascal Boulerie is all right his article is provocative, quite so. I would like to give my opinion on some points.

First, NSDAP means, in translation, National and Socialist German Workers' Party. However, the "S" became essentially meaningless with the development of the party. No real socialist programmes were ever realised by the Nazis. There were "hot pot sundays" and other manifestations of "Volksgemeinschaft", but where it mattered, in economic policy, not a thing was done to give the people, or representatives of workers, more of a say in anything. Much to the contrary, the unions were among the first to suffer from "Gleichschaltung" (May 1st, 1933) and were finally integrated in the "Deutsche Arbeitsfront" (DAF), a party organisation. The Bosses, on the other hand, were made "Führer" of their plants and had even more power over their work force than any time since Imperial times. After all, any experiments with worker control of anything would probably not have been very conducive to Hitler's armament policy, and later, war effort.

Interestingly, in spite of this some kind of a command economy was installed under the Nazis. The plant I worked at last summer, for example, had belonged to the Braunkohlen Benzin AG (BRABAG) that had been founded on order of the Reichswirtschaftsministerium by the IG Farben and several brown coal companies. It would be an interesting research topic why this kind of non market economy seems to have worked somewhat better than the variation found in East Germany after the war, or in Russia.

Why did Croatia secede from Yugoslavia when Bavaria did not yet secede from the Rest of Germany, even though there are people who claim sufficient language differences to exist? It seems to me that Croats (and Slovenes) had finally come to resent Serbian predominance in Yugoslavia enough to rebel against it. In all probability, the gap between the hardline communists in Belgrade with their foundering socialist economy and those states intent on liberalisation had become too big to be sustained any longer.

Who knows the difference between Kenya and Tanzania, or between Vietnam and Kampuchea? Why, the Kenyans, the Tanzanians, the Vietnamese and the Kampucheans. They might say the same about France and Germany. After all, what real differences are there between their languages? The Vietnamese speak Vietnamese, the Kampucheans Khmer, according to my atlas. The Kenyans speak Suaheli languages, the Tanzanians in part that, in part Kshitic languages and in part Nilotic languages. Culture? I am rather sure that the differences between any two African tribes even when bundled together within the borders of the same state are much bigger than those between the tribe of the Germans and the one of the Franks. Perhaps I will sound differently in Summer, after half a year of Paris, but at this point of time, after two student exchanges, I hold we are not very different people this side of the Rhine and the other. Religion? Even if there were differences, most people ignore the entire complex anyway (including, to a large extent, me). History? Well, there we are. Anyway, if people do consider themselves to be as different from somebody else to not want to live in the same state, and that in such majorities as were attained in the referendums held prior to recession in the former Yugoslav states then what can you do? That is democracy, and we have to accept it.

On to the question of intervention. This war will go on until it IS STOPPED. By SOMEBODY.

I must confess that I do increasingly get angry when this topic comes up, especially after the news of the rape camps broke. Since I started to read history books I was convinced that the holocaust was unequalled in its evil. This is the first thing to come close to question that. Within this thinking, of course, I do not at all think that Serbia could be an accepted member of any international community or organisation at this point of time. On the other hand, we, Germany, could, five to ten years after the end of World War II. We are the last ones who could condemn the Serbs, as a people, forever or in any other way.

However, the change between Germany 1944 and Germany 1954 can with some understatement be called very considerable this sets a precedent, too, as does the hunt for and trial of war criminals (though the way this has been handled legally in Germany should probably not be examined, much less copied, too closely!).

Pascal, what your father told you about Hitler's post war intentions was wrong. There would have been "Großdeutschland", inhabited by the "Herrenrasse" (with those of it who hold individual freedom to mean something more than the freedom to do as you are told living in KZs, or not at all together with numerous others who do not fit the picture a sick mind has painted of the how man should be), then the more Germanic states in a state of domination, and finally East Europe and Russia, as well as Germany's ancient colonies (!) as colonies, areas to be exploited, war training zones (it was actually envisaged to leave the area beyond the Urals to the "Untermenschen" and have a war with them every now and then so as not to lose the habit, or something like that). I wonder whether your father would have called the holocaust to "have proven" "viable, brilliant, and clever", too, if the unlikely event had materialised that Hitler had let his (in part, truly brilliant) experts win the war for him (Sorry, this is probably a bit unfair, but there are limits to my tolerance as far as this madman is concerned).

Back to Yugoslavia, it was not the media's idea to call the Bosnians Muslims. The distinction was made in the official statistics of the late Yugoslavia, and so any figures you could cite differentiate between Serbs, Croats, Muslims, Albanians and so forth.

It is probably an exaggeration to call the Croats "as dangerous as the Serbs". Yes, they do claim Bosnian territory, and since recently, they do also fight the increasingly helpless Bosnians,

even in spite of that they have suffered the same way less than a year ago and they do also defy UN settlements these days. But they do all of this on a far lesser scale than the Serbs, and especially far less brutal. I have not yet heard of Croat rape camps, nor of still hidden PoW camps which the Serbs allegedly still have and where I do not know what is happening. It was not a Croat officer who emptied his pistol's magazine into the UN protected Deputy Prime Minister of Bosnia. The Bosnian Croats have already accepted the Vance-Owen peace proposal without attaching any conditions to it, too.

I guess the Croats' manner of action can be traced back to some kind of learning. In 1990, they saw that all around them, freedom and self determination came to places nobody would have expected to gain them anytime soon. So they, too, went this way, holding a referendum and subsequently declaring themselves independent. They then were attacked by the then Yugoslav army. Mostly helpless as they were they first hoped for international intervention to save them, as Kuwait had been saved only little earlier. As we all know, nothing happened, so they took to defend themselves. As they did not have the arms to defend themselves (where should they have come from?) they broke the UN arms embargo and smuggled them in. As the brutality shown by Serb bandits went unpunished restraints on what not to do went out of the window. In the end, they practiced "ethnic cleansing" little different from the Serbs in result, though it seems still with a bit less uncivilised methods, and perhaps a bit less expansionist, too (after all, before the fighting in Bosnia started the battlefield was officially their home country). As now the Serbs are offered what amounts to a Serbian Republic inside Bosnia in all but name they claim the same thing, too (but having come to the aid of beleaguered Bosnians, there is no need for them to fight for more territory and stall the peace talks, as the Serbs apparently feel to have to). As the Serbs did get away with attacking, taking ground, "ethnic cleansing" and then filing a claim on the land in question they seem to be doing just that in Krajina now within their own country's official borders, and without reports about "e.c." until now, but it is a further step.

I am positive that if we go on watching we will eventually see just how much the Serbs can really degenerate, and how much the Croats can follow them, and Muslims, and then Albanians, Macedonians, perhaps even Greeks (also a merciless partisan war to cite in WW II and shortly thereafter), or the little powder keg Rumania (ethnic Germans, Hungarians, plus the Bessarabia/Moldavia question).

So something will have to be done. What I assume that we have to accept that peace talks so far have not led to a solution, and will scarcely do so in the future unless the participants are all willing to co-operate.

They are not now, so they would have to be encouraged to do so which is synonymous with discouraging them from going on to look for solutions on the battlefield. This, of course, means military intervention.

How could military intervention with some probability of success, but without endangering people (cynically ignoring the Bosnians and Croatians dying in Gradacac and so on every day) too much, i. e. beyond what cannot be avoided - "collateral damage", for example) ?

A ground war to reconquer the country, as in the case of Kuwait, seems out of the question under existing (political, geographical, military) circumstances.

A selective intervention by ground units (e. in order to secure "protected zones") would very probably end the war as with the kind of losses the Serb irregulars would take if they were opposed by a modern army (e. the US, British or French) they would quickly lose further interest in the venture and feel the danger of total defeat, too. A defined, not too big, area could conceivably be kept under control in such a way that Serb partisans would not have to be feared to that extent (contrary to when they try to cover the whole country, in this case the regulars can be almost everywhere so guerilleros would find it hard to survive for an extended period of time). It might be a problem, however, to establish such an area a lot of rather heavy equipment and people would have to move to the location in question, and be supplied there. Given the artillery concentrations common in Yugoslavia now, casualties would have to be expected to be noticeable at least in the beginning, too.

One way to limit this danger is air bombing. With today's radar technology (for example, AWACS or Hawkeye surveillance planes) it is possible to pinpoint firing positions, and with aircraft either on patrol or ready to launch on a carrier or nearby (eg. Italian or Hungarian) airbase they can be attacked with little danger to the pilots involved.

The UN "peacekeeping" troops that are in Sarajewo now are a different story. I would, personally, prefer not to find out whether Serb leaders are serious if they threaten retaliation against them if Serbian artillery is bombed. Once fighting has started, however, with Sarajewo airport easily shelled by the Serbs, the UN troops are trapped a lot of hostages. So the UN troops would have to be pulled out of Sarajevo before a credible campaign can be mounted to put an end to the fighting. In other words, the situation there would be sure to get worse before it gets better.

Finally, there is one option of intervention in the fighting that would not involve a single non Yugoslavian soldier: lifting the arms embargo against Bosnia, perhaps also against Croatia (though I would not advocate it in the latter case). Bosnian leaders claim that given adequate armament they could resolve the issue on their own. Given the numbers of Serbs and Bosnians this might be wishful thinking, too, but at least it would be a start.

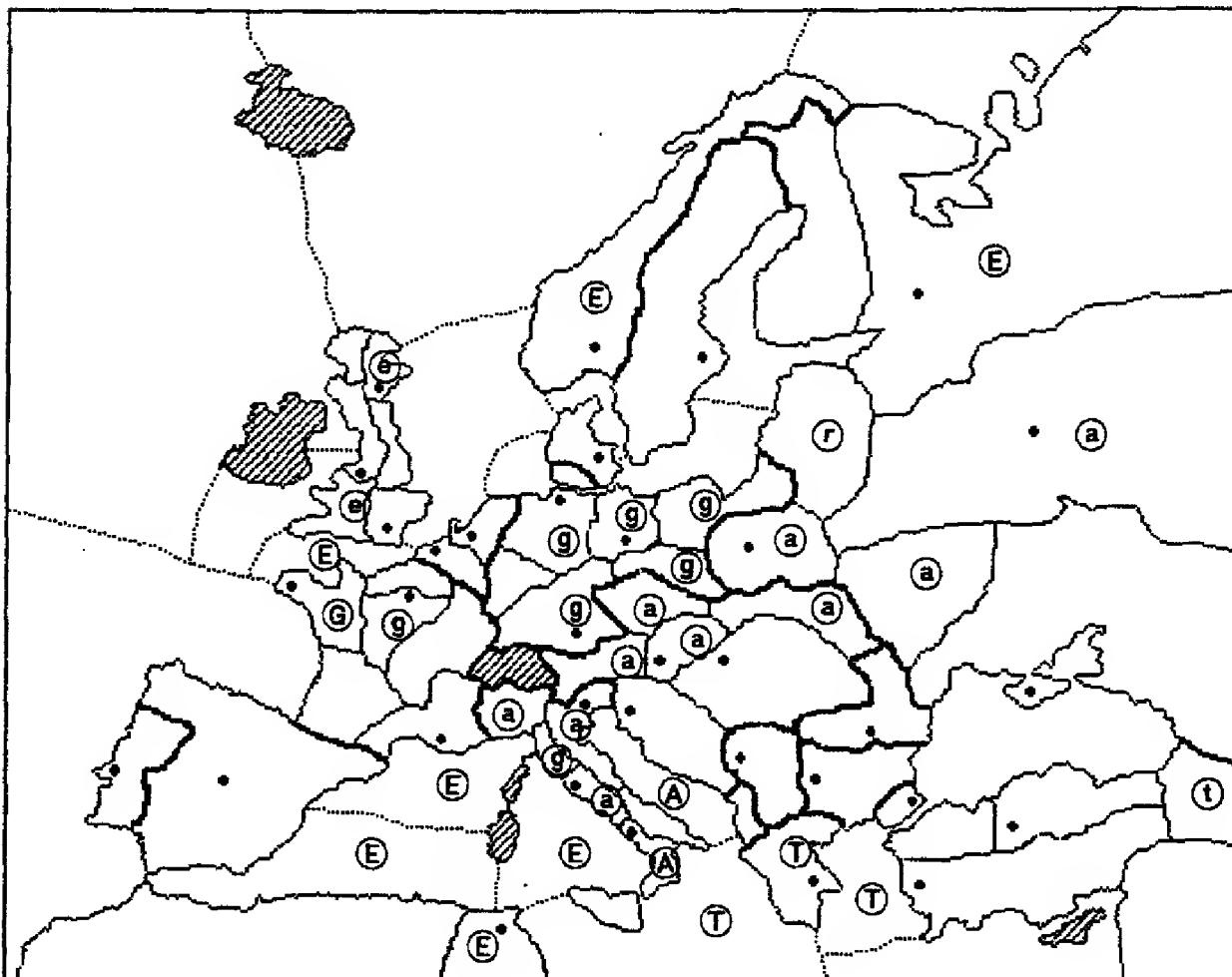
Anyway, it would not be desirable if Bosnians began to attack and "clear" the territory between their borders. It is enough if Serb losses increase to such an extent as to make them consider serious negotiations involving compromises on their positions to be a viable alternative. Whatever action is taken, I believe it should be taken sooner rather than later, and with determination. It is high time this damn shame ends.

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ROSERTA

1990VB

Winter 1907



AUSTRIA (R. Baty):

A Vie

ENGLAND (U. Mannherz):

A Edi

FRANCE (cd):

No unit left - OUT !

GERMANY (Th. Butcher):

A Ber

RUSSIA (Chr. Thielscher):

A Swe - ex

TURKEY (I. Markhof):

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Change of Address(COA): Uwe Mannherz moves back to the Ruhr area and can be reached under Stiepeler Str. 173, D-4630 Bochum 1, Germany

Concerning the game end proposal last time we have 3 votes in favour, 1 abstention and 1 against it, so the draw didn't pass through.

Concerning a combination of Autumn and Winter - moves we have 3 votes in favour and 2 abstentions, so we'll proceed with only 2 (two !) seasons from now on !!!

Ralph and Ingolf propose to end the game with the following 4-way-draw: A/E/G/T with the other powers on the places. Votes next time, please, under the usual conditions !!!

Press

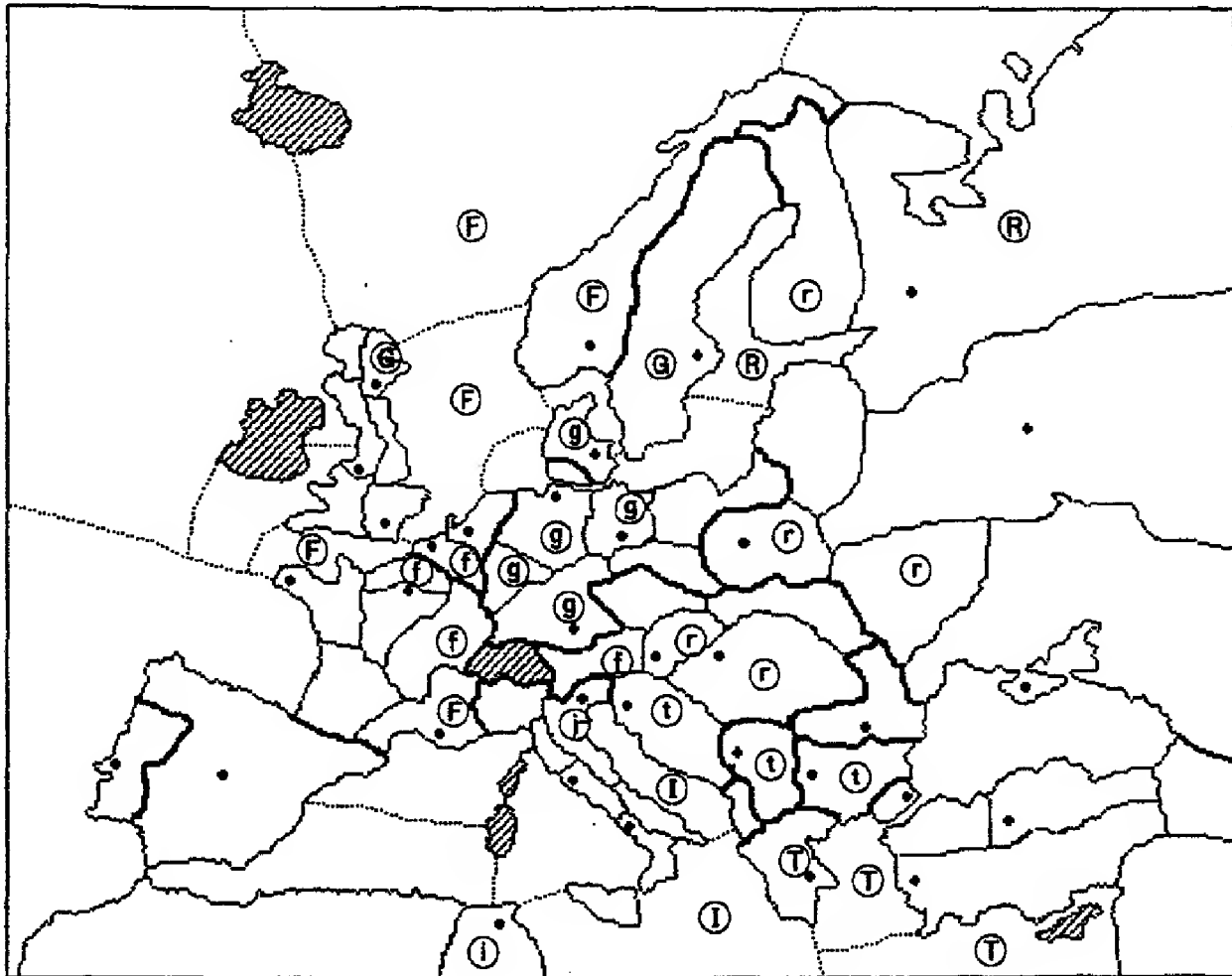
Turkey: Only foolish dreamers propose a draw not including a power that they can't kill.

Xenophon: Strong words !

Xenophon - Ralph: Hope you'll enjoy Germany and thank you very much for a sample of the McIntosh characters, but the Font you printed is probably called 'Symbol', i. e. for mathematical operations. What I need is 'Ancient Greek' with accents over the vocals (mainly), for example: α á â é ê ë ð ó ô õ ð ĩ ρ τ υ ι ο η φ λ κ θ η γ φ δ ή ή ή ώ ώ ὤ. Can you supply me with such an Ancient Greek Font for the McIntosh ?

For the next ZAT please send the S 08 - orders !





AUSTRIA (R. Röllig): A Sil - Gal(NSU), A Gal - xxx(NOR), A Boh S A Sil - Gal(NSO)

FRANCE (J. Webley): F Cly - NWS, F Nor S F Cly - NWS, F NTH S F Nor - xxx,
F Lon - ENG, A Bel S A Bur - xxx, A Bur S A Bel - xxx,
A Pic - xxx, A Pie - Tyr

GERMANY (M. Houston): A Den S F Swe - xxx, A Kie - Ber, A Mun S A Kie - Ber,
A Ruh S A Mun - xxx, F Swe S FRENCH F Nor - xxx,
F Edi S FRENCH F Cly - NWS

ITALY (D. Dahmann): A Tun - xxx, F ADR S F ION - xxx, A Ven S FRENCH A Pie - Tyr,
F ION S TURKISH A Bul - Gre(NSO)

RUSSIA (C. Gautron): F BAR - Pet(inc), A Fin - Swe, F BOT S A Fin - Swe, A War - Ukr,
A Pru - War, A Bud S A Vie - xxx, F Rum - xxx,
A Vie S TURKISH A Trie - xxx

TURKEY (A. Stielau ?): A Tri - xxx, A Ser - xxx, A Bul - xxx, F Gre - xxx, F AEG - xxx,
F EAS - xxx NMR !

Retreats(&): -

Remark: Claude Gautron's address in Singapore is still valid until stated otherwise. Andreas, I hope you'll continue to play ?

Supply Centres

		<u>Builds</u>
A: Mit , Ber	- 0	OUT ! -2
F: Par, Bre, Mar, Spa, Por, Bel, Lon, Lpl, + NOR	- 9	+1
G: Kie, Mun, Hol, Den, Edi, Swe, + BER	- 7	+1
I: Rom, Nap, Tun, Ven	- 4	0
R: Pet, Mos, War, Sev, Rum, Bud, Vie, Ndr	- 7	-1
T: Con, Ank, Smy, Bul, Gre, Ser, + TRI	- 7	-1

Winter 1909

AUSTRIA:	A Boh - ex, A Gal - ex	NMR - GM !
FRANCE:	F Mar	
GERMANY:	A Kie	
ITALY:	-	
RUSSIA:	F Rum - ex	
TURKEY:	NMR - plays 1 short !	

Press

Frundsberg - First Consulate Webley: I don't feel sorry for Toby Harris at all. Class Diplomacy players think on their fleet, not their posteriors ... aber, ich gebe Dir mein Wort, o. k. ?

Xenophon: Wow, Frundsberg speaks German ?

France - Italy: Speak to me ! We need to work together.

Austria - everybody: Bye, bye !

For the next ZAT please send the S 09 - moves !

(continued from p. 21, VESTA):

Winter 1907

ENGLAND:	F Edi, F Lon, F Lpl - plays 1 short !	
FRANCE:	A Ruh - ex	NMR - GM !
ITALY:	F Smy - ex, F Spa(sc) - ex	
RUSSIA:	A Sev, A War, A Mos	

Presse

Italy: Solange ich auch nur noch eine Einheit habe, wird es keinen Frieden geben, denn Verrat muß gesühnt werden. Und wenn einem der Wodka aus den Ohren herauskommt ! Gegrüßt sei King Daniel der Mutige ! Meine Unterstützung sei ihm gewiß.

Xenophon: Ich bin gespannt, ob ihr Rußland noch stoppen könnt

St. Petersburg - Rom: Wenn der Stachel des Argwohns erst einmal im Fleische bohrt

Xenophon: So, so Könntest Du bitte Deine Züge in Zukunft auch wieder in einem Brief schicken und nicht auf einer Postkarte ? Danke !

France - Italy: Warum keine Antwort von Dir ?

Xenophon: Vielleicht aus allgemeiner Lustlosigkeit ?

France - England: Sorry, aber Du hängst mir zu sehr uf der Pelle !

Xenophon: Er ist noch enger geworden !

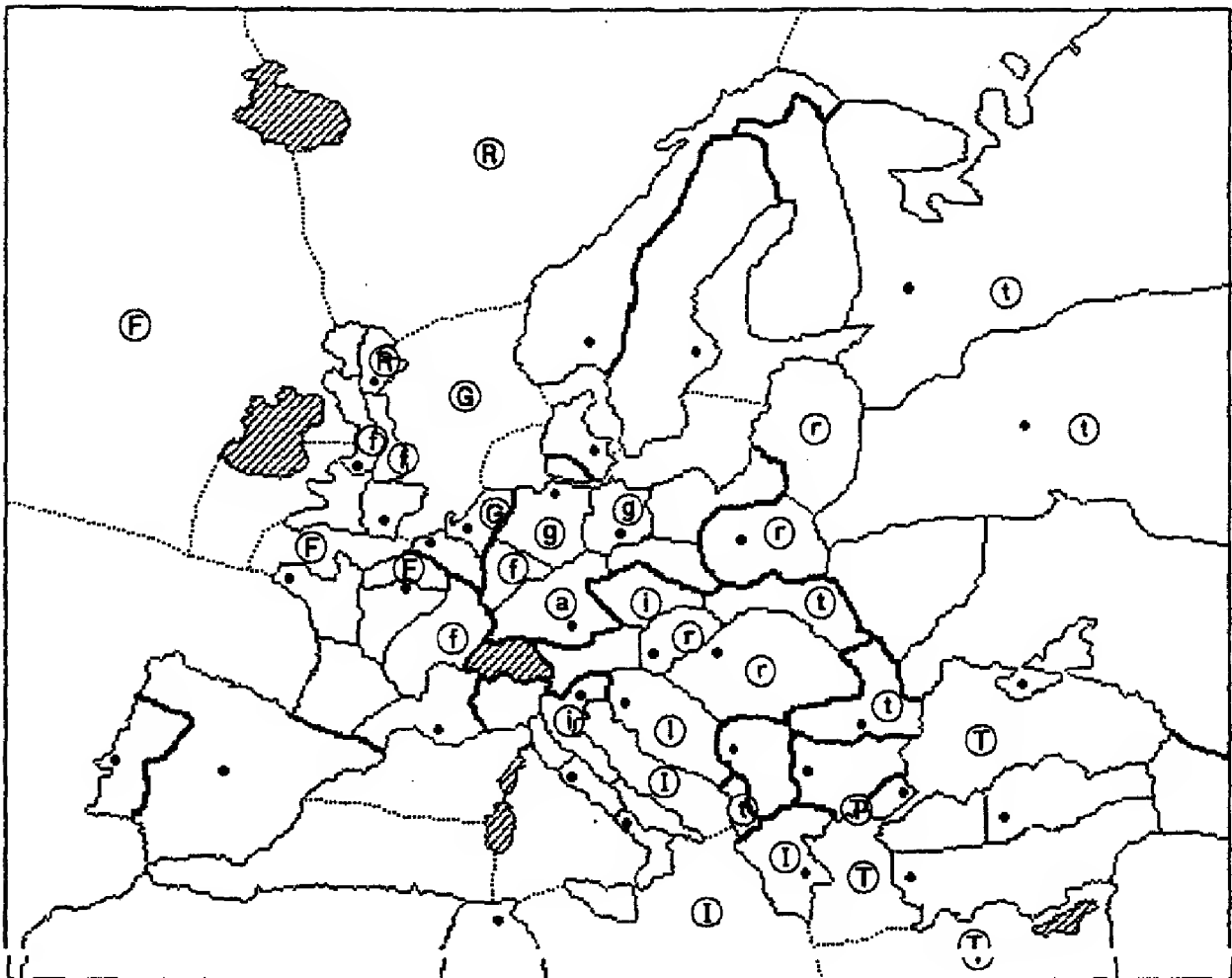
Thomas an Hans, Wolfgang oder Axel: Kann mir bitte einer von Euch eine Kopie der A + W 06 - Auswertung zuschicken, da ich das Original offenbar im Copy Shop vergessen habe ? Vielen Dank im voraus !

Zum nächsten ZAT bitte die S 06 - Züge !

TANIT

1990VF

Spring 1907



AUSTRIA (C. Gautron): A Mun S FRENCH A Ruh - Kie(NSO)

FRANCE (M. Burgdorf): F Pic - Bel, A Bur S F Pic - Bel, A Lon - Yor,
A Lpl S A Lon - Yor, F IRI - NAT, F MID - ENG, F ENG - Lon,
A Ruh S AUSTRIAN A Mun - xxx

GERMANY (R. Baty): A Ber - Mun, A Kie S A Ber - Mun, F NTH - Bel,
F Hol S F NTH - Bel

ITALY (D. Hood ?): A Boh - xxx, A Tri - xxx, A Ven - xxx, F ADR - xxx, F ION - xxx,
F Gre - xxx

RUSSIA (J. Dennett): F NWS - Nor, F Edi - xxx, A Lvn S A War - xxx,
A War S A Lvn - xxx, A Vie S A Bud - xxx, A Bud S A Vie - xxx

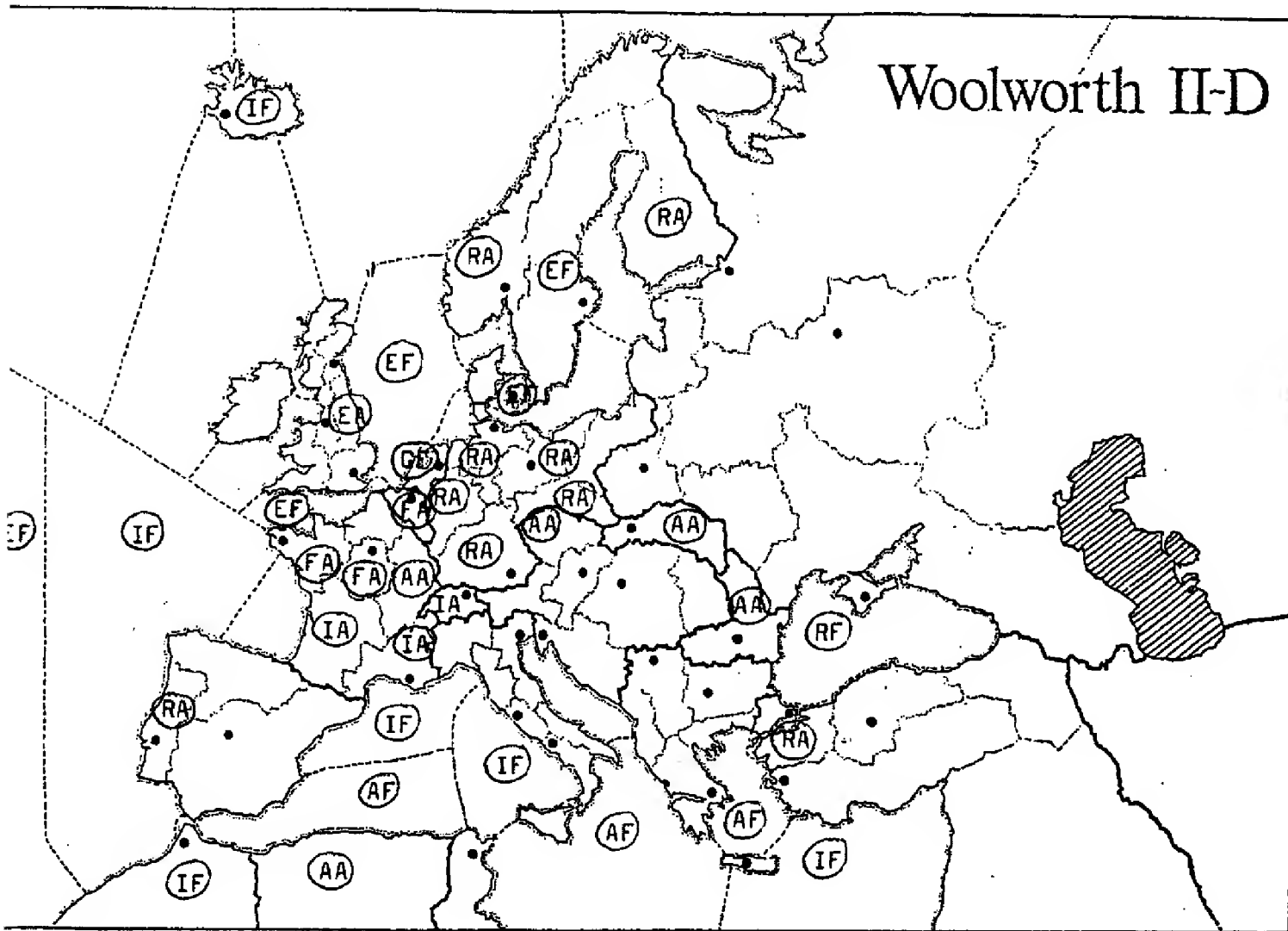
TURKEY (D. Barnes): A Mos - War, A Pet - Nor, A Ukr - Gal, A Rum - Bud,
A Ser - Alb, F Con - BLA, F Bul(sc) S F AEG - xxx,
F AEG S F Smy - EAS, F Smy - EAS

Retreats(8):

Ralph proposes a 3-way-draw F/I/T with the others powers on the places - votes next time, please, under the usual conditions !

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A 05



ITALY (R. Baty): F Cre - EAS, F Mro S F MID - xxx, F NAT - Ice, A Bur - Gas,
A Mar S A Bur - Gas, A Pie - Swi, F Tus - LYO,
F TYS C RUSSIAN A Smy - Por, F MID C RUSSIAN A Smy - Por

RUSSIA (?): A Lap - Osl, A Pet - Fin, A Ruh - Hol, A Kie S A Ruh - Hol,
A Mun - Ruh, A Sil - Mun, A Ber S A Sil - Mun, A Con - xxx,
F BLA - xxx, A Smy - Por

SCANDINAVIA (??) A Cop - xxx(B)

NMR !

Retreats(2): SCANDINAVIA A Cop - ex

Corrections: Of course there is a RUSSIAN A Lap and not an A Fin. While the adjudications were correct the map showed it the wrong way round. Beside Ulrich Fred also submitted the game end proposal for a 3-way-draw - sorry !

This Game End Proposal to end the game with 3-Way-Draw Austria/Italy/Russia winning and England coming 4th, France 5th, Germany 6th and all the other powers on the places accordingly passes by 3 votes in favour and 1 abstentions. Congratulations to Ralph and Fred, who deserve to win the game after only five game years !!!

I will work out the Final Supply Centre Chart next issue for you and the MNC, 'cause I'm already too late with this issue, but I would like it if Claude, Ulrich Fred and Ralph could send in some Game End Statements - thanks in advance !

Just for completeness as you all probably know the distribution of the Secret Powers:
Austria (Ralph Baty), Russia (Fred Davis), Germany (Ulrich Stähr), Balkans (Claude Gautron),
Scandinavia (John Dods, cd)

Supply Centres			Builds
AU:	Vie, Bud, Tri, Rum, Ser, Gre, Det , Bul, + GAL	- 8	0
EN:	Lon, Edi, Lpl, Abd , Os , Swe, + COP	- 5	-1
FR:	Par, Bre, Pbt , + BEL	- 3	0
GE:	Hol, Bel	- 1	1 unit 0
IT:	Rom, Ven, Nap, Tun, Swi, Mar, Cre, Mro, Mdr, + ICE	- 10	8 units +2
RU:	Mos, War, Sev, Gal , Ber, Pet, Smr, Ank, Mun, Kie, + POR. + OSL, + CON	- 12	+2
SC:	Det	- 0	-1

Press

England - Italy: As you can easily see, I'm not the one who delays the inevitable and even longer !

Xenophon: Looks like the game will see its end anyway

For the next ZAT please, send the Game End Statements!

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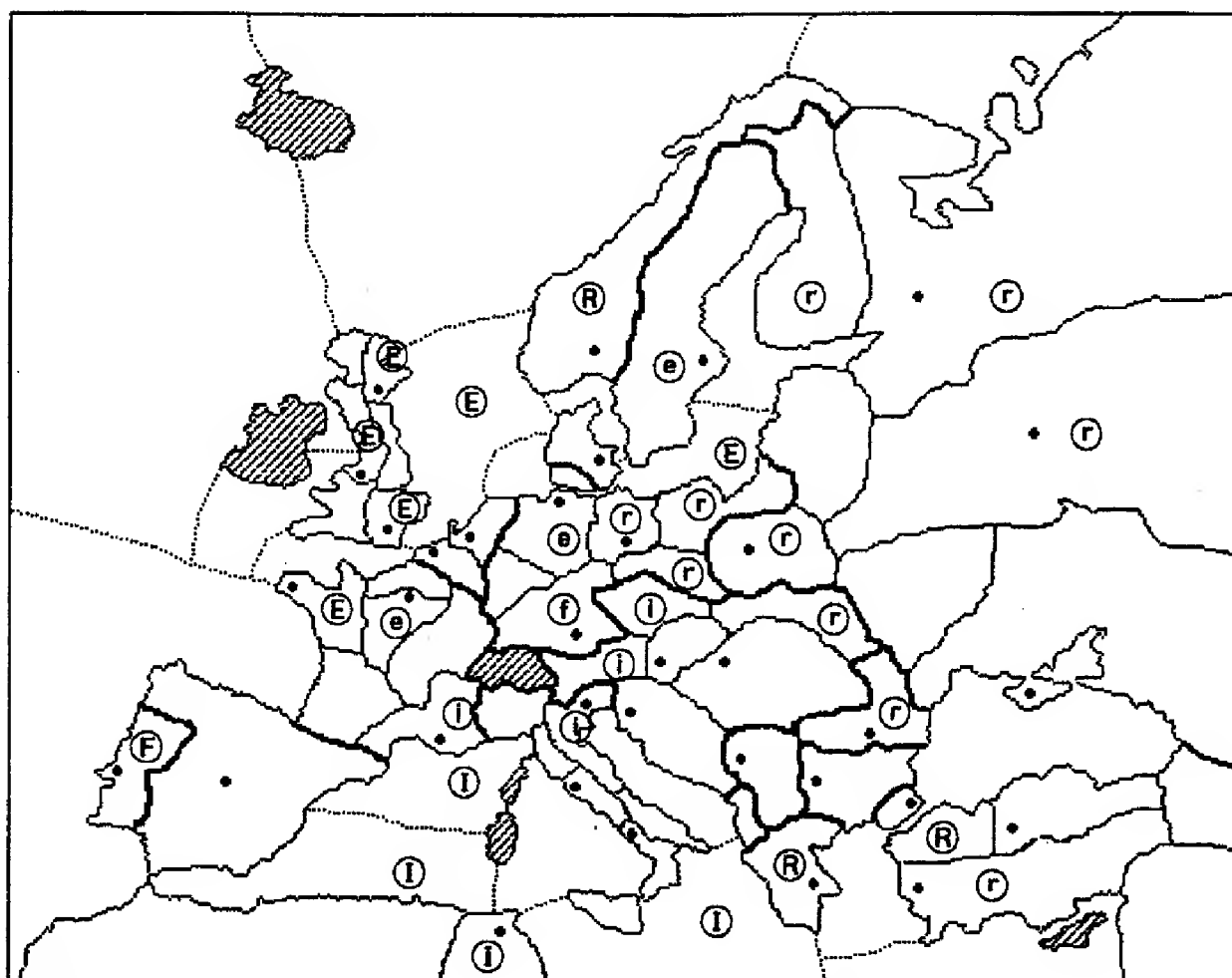
ZEUS

pre Winter 1900

Die neue nationale Dippy Partie wird den Namen Zeus tragen und ich möchte die folgenden Spieler zum nächsten allgemeinen ZAT - der nächsten Diplomat-Ausgabe noch einmal zu bestätigen, daß dabei sein werden und gleichzeitig möchte ich sie darum ersuchen, ihre jeweilige Präferenzliste einzuschicken:

Martin Brumm, Hans Sommer, Christian Freudenthaler, Wolfgang Friedrich, Thomas Scheben, Martin Meckel, Martin Schreiber - ich würde mich auch freuen, einmal etwas mehr Persönliches über Euch zu erfahren, z. B., was außerhalb des Dippy-Spielens so treibt !

Zum nächsten ZAT bitte die Präferenzliste!



ENGLAND (D. Barnes): A Den - Swe, A Nor S A Den - Swe(&), F BAL S A Kie - xxx,
F NTH S A Nor - xxx, F MID - Bre, A Gas - Par,
A Kie S ITALIAN A Tyr - Mun

FRANCE (W. Friedrich): A Ruh - Kie, A Mun - xxx, F Por - Spa(sc)

ITALY (A. Hinrichsen): A Tus - Ven, F TYS - ION, F WMS - Tun, F LYO - WMS,
F Mar - LYO, A Pie - Mar, A Boh - Vie, A Tyr - Mun,
F Smy - AEG, F Spa(sc) - xxx(NOR)

RUSSIA (H. Sommer): F Swe - Nor, A Fin S F Swe - Nor, A Pet S F Swe - Nor,
A Pru S A Ber - xxx, A Ukr - Rum, A Gal - Vie, A Arm - Smy,
F Con S A Arm - Smy, F AEG - Gre,
A Ber S FRENCH A Ruh - Kie, A Sil S FRENCH A Mun - xxx

Retreats(&): **ENGLAND** A Nor - ex

Die Abstimmung zum Spielende ist mit 3 Enthaltungen und 1 Gegenstimme abgelehnt worden
- weiter geht's !

Supply Centres

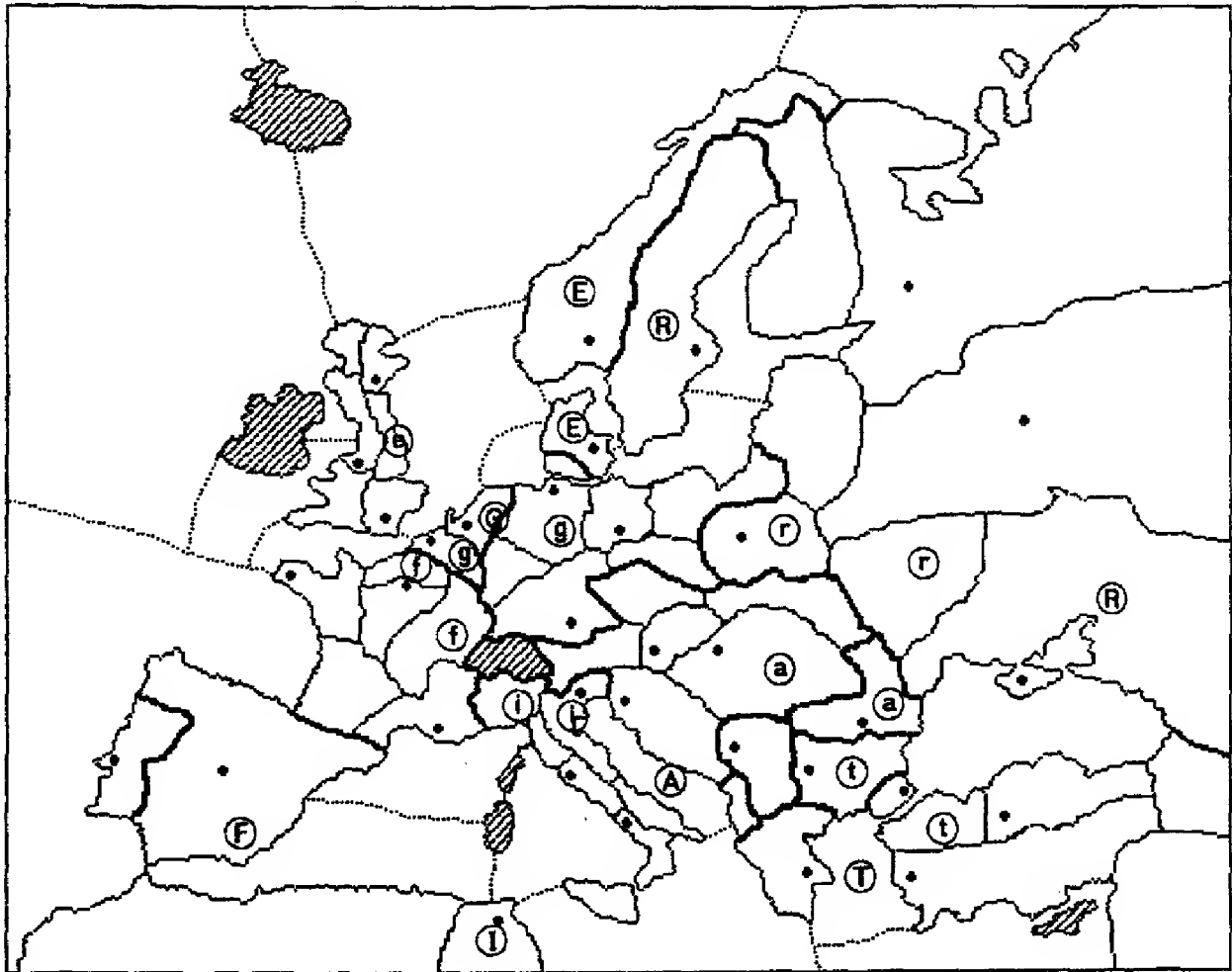
				<u>Builds</u>
E:	Lon, Lpl, Edi, Bel, Hol, Nor , Swe, Den, Kie, + PAR, + BRE	- 10	6 units	+4
F:	Pet , Bre , Por, + MUN	- 2		-1
I:	Rom, Ven, Nap, Tri, Tun, Smy , Gie , Vie, Mun , Mar, Spa	- 8	10 units	-2
R:	Mos, Sev, Bud, Rum, Ser, Bul, Pet, Con, Ank, Ber, War, + SMY, + GRE, + NOR	- 14		+3

(to be continued on p. 17)

XEINE

1992VF

Autumn 1901



AUSTRIA (P. Boulerie): F Tri - ADR, A Gal - Rum, A Bud S A Gal - Rum

ENGLAND (H. Hübner): F NTH - Den, F NWS - Nor, A Yor - xxx

FRANCE (M. Brumm): A Pic - Bel, A Bur - Mun, F MID - Spa(sc)

GERMANY (R. Baty): A Kie - Mun, A Ruh - Bel, F Hol S A Ruh - Bel

ITALY (Chr. Freudenthaler): F ION - Tun, A Rom - Ven, A Pie S A Rom - Ven

RUSSIA (D. Barnes): F BOT - Swe, A Mos - War, A Ukr - Rum,
F BLA S A Ukr - Rum(NSU), F Sev - xxx(NOR)

TURKEY (M. Houston): F Con - AEG, A Smy - Con, A Bul S RUSSIAN A Ukr - Bul(IMP)

Retreats(8): -

Change of Address(COA): Pascal Boulerie has moved and can now be reached under:
Escalier 7B, 28 Blvd. Aristide Briand, F-93100 Montreuil, France. Please, note

Supply Centres

A: Vie, Bud, Tri, + RUM
E: Lond, Lpl, Edi, + DEN, + NOR
F: Par, Bre, Mar, + SPA

- 4
- 5
- 4

Builds

+1
+2
+1

G: Ber, Kis, Mun, + HOL. + BEL	- 5	+2
I: Rom, Ven, Nap, + TUN	- 4	+1
R: Mos, Pet, War, Sev, + SWE	- 5	+1
T: Con, Ank, Smy, + BUL	- 4	+1

Press

Xenophon - Paris: Could you, please, send in your next moves in time according to the ZAT and not on a postcard, but in a letter ? I don't like silly questions of the postman - thanks !

Austria - Italy: Your move to ven was anti-Austrian, wasn't it ?

Xenophon: All moves are anti-Austrian, don't you think so ?

Kapikulu Ferenczy, "Iron Man of Islam" - Archduke Pascal: Sorry, it had to be this way, given the fundamentals of Islam ...

Xenophon - Iron Man of Islam: Better fire your secretary for having written down the wrong orders for the Janitshares in Bulgaria ! How will explain such a mistake to your people ???

Austria - England/France: Germany is becoming very dangerous.

Moscow - Rome and Constantinople: How fast can Austria be eliminated ? ANSWER - about as fast as the fight between a Colossus and a Centaur in "Titan" lasts.

Xenophon: Are you sure ?

Austria - Russia: There is one small problem ! There is one small problem !

Xenophon: You mean a problem ?

Rumania: The "Titan hick", spearhead of the Russian fleet of Sevastopol, was sunk after hitting an anomalous series of sixes.

Xenophon: To say it short: The fleet did nothing at all this season, the crew was on vacation on the Crimea obviously !

Constantinople - Moscow: You may be heading west, but I'm raging west. Italian forces will soon learn the experience of confetti in a whirlwind, the Austrian will succumb to our enormous united pressure

Xenophon: I recently heard a joke in an Athenian bar: Are the Ottoman Turks dangerous ? ANSWER - Only to themselves ...

Ferenczy - Xenophon: Nasty rumour has it that the Italian ruler is closely related to mad King Ludwig of Bavaria It runs with their jeans.

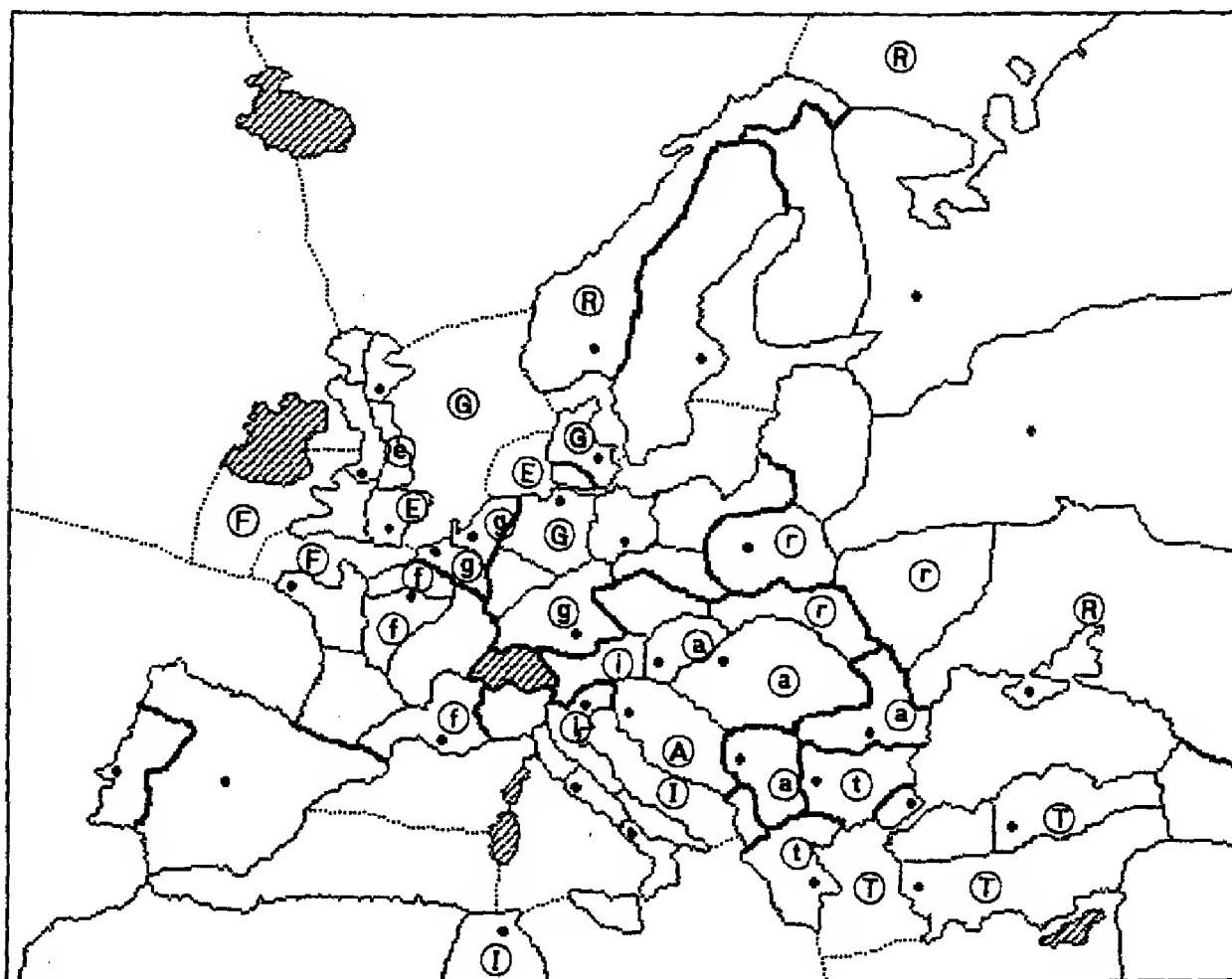
Xenophon: Where did you get this info ???

Berlin - London: Yes, I received your letter, and responded the same day. However, when you send a letter to me at a time I cannot respond before the deadline, life becomes difficult. Count at least two weeks before you get a response from me (one week each way).

London: I want to apologize to all who expected my reply. But during the last two months my son has been ill for several times and I was forced to leave Berlin to take care of him therefore.

Xenophon: All the best for your son and we all hope that he is all right again !

For the next ZAT please, send the W OI - builds !



AUSTRIA (N. Berdichevsky):	A Bud
ENGLAND (R. Röllig):	A Bur - ex
FRANCE (R. Baty):	-
GERMANY (D. Barnes):	F Kie
ITALY (J. Spinoza):	-
RUSSIA (M. Kässbohrer):	A War
TURKEY (U. Meyer):	F Smy

Concerning the proposal to proceed with two seasons I got 1 vote in favour, 5 abstentions and 1 against it, so we'll go on with three seasons !

Press

Paris - London: I agree, you didn't do it, I did it, hope to continue doing it.

Xenophon: We'll see - thanks for the copy of your Batyville Gazette, which I enjoyed very much !

London - Germany: Humm, homm.

Xenophon: So, so

For the next ZAT please. send the S 03 - orders !

Kapitalisten-Diplomacy

WOTAN KAP-Dippy im Diplomat Autumn 1903 GM: Volker Schnell ZAT: D 22

Pseudonym	Kujambel	Kronen	Pfund	Francs	Mark	Lira	Rubel	Piaster
Waldschrat	10122.84	1504-	3003-	4118-	1504-	3-	1465-	3-
Eulenspiegel	6543.62	0	0	0	0	0	1548-	1638-
Casanova	0.85	<u>3077-</u>	2576-	1544-	1502-	<u>7880+</u>	0	2000-
Moneypenny	0.81	1849-	956-	<u>5475-</u>	0-	4269+	2549-	2011-
James Bond	1298.52	2000+	<u>5114-</u>	3990-	5092-	500+	0-	1500-
Mephisto	0.48	3000+	3868-	1001-	2430+	4233-	1	<u>4012+</u>
Croix de Feu	1.29	2285-	4274-	4785-	0	2731+	<u>3148-</u>	0
Serendipity	2.66	0	0	1121-	<u>5467+</u>	1081-	1945+	0- RED
Veränderung:		1365	-2999	-3500	519	8342	-1801	-999
Neue Kurse:		1.59	2.23	2.38	1.84	2.32	1.25	1.37
Kosten pro SP:		31.80	44.60	59.50	26.29	38.67	31.25	45.67
Versorgungszentren:		5	5	4	7	6	4	3

Geldtabelle:

1.(6) Casanova	38097.76 KJ (+ 5548.07)
2.(1) James Bond	37963.22 KJ (- 2084.96)
3.(4) Mephisto	35567.95 KJ (+ 2191.56)
4.(3) Croix de Feu	34824.68 KJ (- 917.07)
5.(=) Moneypenny	33948.50 KJ (+ 950.34)
6.(2) Waldschrat	33621.41 KJ (- 2302.93)
7.(=) Serendipity	17669.09 KJ (+ 428.13)
8.(=) Eulenspiegel	10722.68 KJ (- 426.06)

Hochgerechnete SP-Tabelle:

1.(2) James Bond	996.14 SP (+ 126.56)
2.(3) Casanova	982.38 SP (+ 120.48)
3.(1) Waldschrat	939.33 SP (+ 37.99)
4.(=) Mephisto	927.94 SP (+ 69.03)
5.(=) Croix de Feu	809.18 SP (+ 4.45)
6.(=) Moneypenny	777.71 SP (- 0.40)
7.(=) Serendipity	570.29 SP (+ 57.19)
8.(=) Eulenspiegel	360.00 SP (- 16.07)

Wotan Kapitalisten-Dippy 2-Phasen-Spiel Herbst 1903

<u>Austria 6</u>	<u>England 4</u>	<u>France 6</u>	<u>Germany 5</u>	<u>Italy 5</u>	<u>Russia 5</u>	<u>Turkey 3</u>
Casanova	James Bond	Moneypenn	James Bond	Mephisto	Croix de	Moneypenny
A Vie-Gal	A Nor-Pet	A Bel-xxx	A Mun-Sil	A Ven-Pie	A Gal-Rum	A Ank-Bul?
A Bud S A	F NTH-Lon	F ENG S "	A Ruh-Bel	F MID-SpS	A Seb S "	A Con S "&
Rum-xxx	F NWS-Nor	A Par-Bre	F Hol S "	A Mar S "	A Ukr S "	F AEG-Gre
A Bul S A	F Pic-ENG	F SpS-Mar	F Kie-Den	F LYO S "	F BLA S "	
Rum-xxx		A Gas S "	A Swe SEF	F TYS-WMS	F SKA-Den	
A Rum S A			NWS-Nor			
Bul-xxx						
A Ser S A Bul-xxx						
F Gre S A Bul-xxx						

Rückzüge : AA Rum>ex! FA Bel>Bur IA Mar>ex\$

<u>A/6-1 = 5</u>	<u>E/4 +1 = 5</u>	<u>F/6-2 = 4</u>	<u>G/5 +2 = 7</u>	<u>I/5+1 = 6</u>	<u>R/5-1 = 4</u>	<u>T/3+0=3</u>
Bud -RUM	Edi Lpl	-BEL Par	+BEL +HOL Swe	Nap Tri	Mos +RUM	Ank
Bul Ser	-HOL +NOR	Bre Por	Ber Kie	Rom Tun	-NOR Seb	Con
Gre Vie	Lon +PET	Mar -SPA	Den Mun	+SPA Ven	-PET War	Smy

<u>Austria 5</u>	<u>England 5</u>	<u>France 4</u>	<u>Germany 7</u>	<u>Italy 6</u>	<u>Russia 4</u>	<u>Turkey 3</u>
Casanova	+F Lpl	-F ENG	+A Ber +A Mun \$\$\$		-F SKA	

Some Revolutions in Europe:

<u>Austria 5</u>	<u>England 5</u>	<u>France 4</u>	<u>Germany 7</u>	<u>Italy 6</u>	<u>Russia 4</u>	<u>Turkey 3</u>
Casanova	James Bond	Moneypenn	Serendipity	Casanova	Croix de	Mephisto

Press:

Croix de Feu -> Moneypenny: Convoy your A Ank to Bul. As soon as I am in Rum, I shall. I am always right!

Moneypenny - James: Who is this Penny you're talking about? Seems like a very annoying person to me.

Moneypenny - France: Sorry, that we're short one army. It will not happen again

Sultan Money Ibn Penny - Tsar Croix de Feu: I so much hope that your got the message. Only cooperation can help now.

Old Mohamed to Moneypenny: All Turkish people and the government believe in Allah, the Fate und the Allies. Just wait another few years.

Mephisto - Moneypenny: If I would know it by myself, I would certainly be much more successful, Honey.

James to Penny: Honey, I'm sad, just sad. could habe been nice with the two of us, so nice!

James Bond to Mephisto: That's satanic indeed, your withdrawal from Tri.

James to Croix de Feu: Don't panic, I'm just going thru to come to your help against the dangerous Turks.

James Bond to Casanova: Hope you realise what's going on!

James Bond to Serendipity: As a matter of fact, we're companions now. You got the second most Deutschmarks, which I really appreciate. Welcome aboard! If I may dare to make some suggestions to you (if not, just don't read any further); get your money out of the loser-countries France and Russia, invest again in Germany this oncoming Spring and you may have a good chance of leaving the last rank behind you forever.

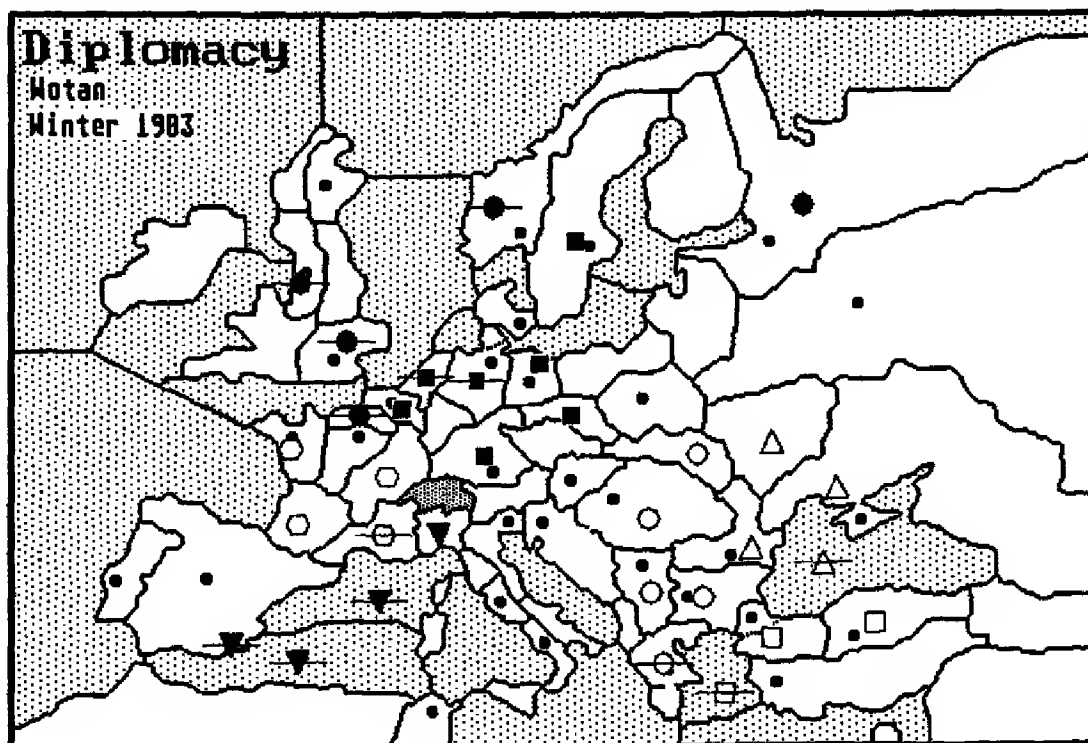
Waldschrott to everybody: You're all doing well. Just go on with this stile of game - no experiments please!

Robby to Penny: Cherie, est-ce que tu a des problems en France?

Robby to Eulenspiegel: the last will be the first ist not ever right.

Robby to Bond: You control England, but I control the forest of Nottingham and That's the heart of England.

Old Mohamed: Seems it would be a hard day work to Casanova to make the mistakes of Mephisto clean. This man forgot to note any buildups. That's the best way to ruin a country.



Barbarian, Kingdom & Empire

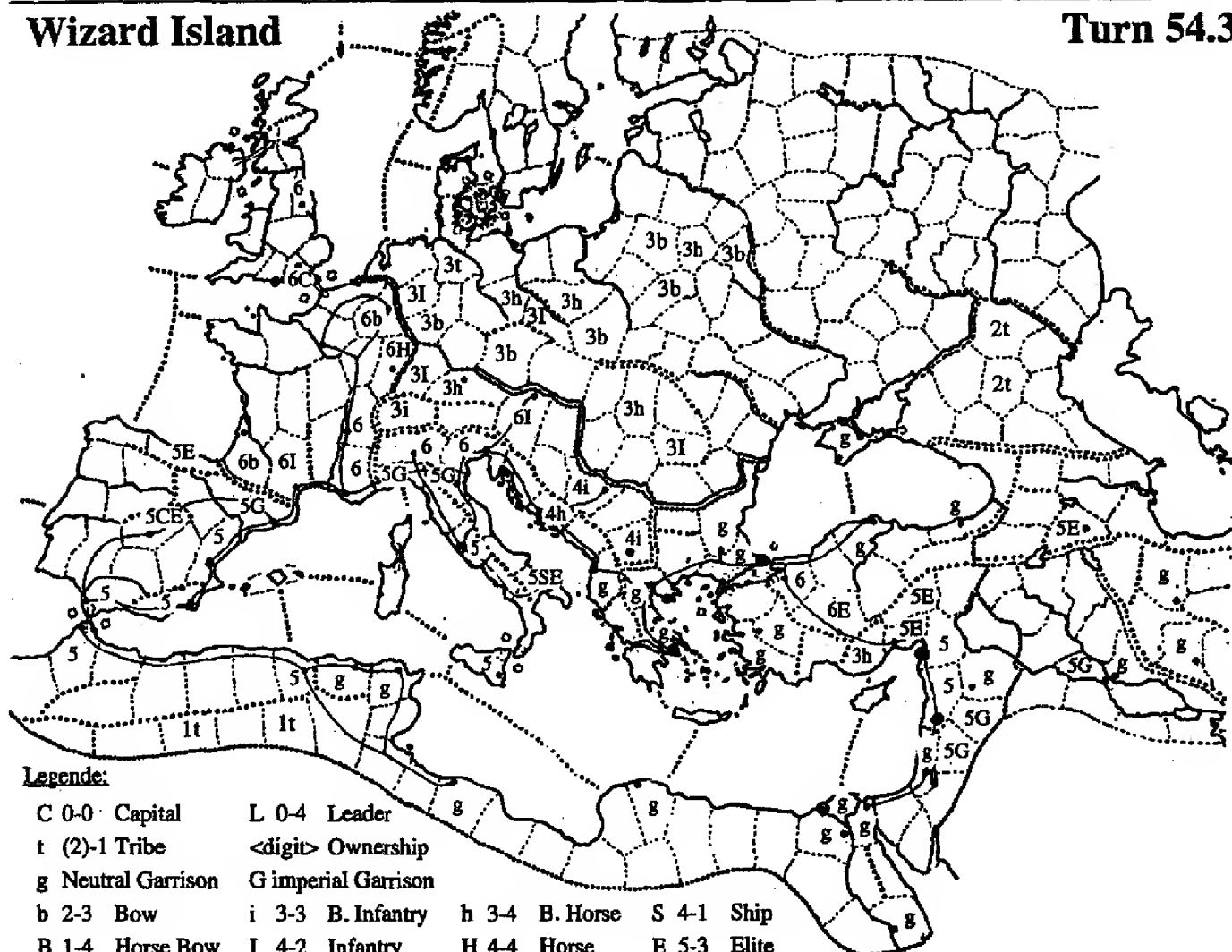
GM
BRIEF MEETING

Thema von Barbarian, Kingdom & Empire ist die Zeit der Völkerwanderungen: Jeder Spieler versucht, mit seinem anfänglich kleinen Barbarienstamm ein mächtiges Königreich zu errichten, zu expandieren, und schließlich als Imperium das errichtete Reich gegen die Angriffe anderer Barbaren und Königreiche zu verteidigen. Mit dem Zerfall des Reiches geht das Volk schließlich unter und ein neuer Barbarienstamm kann anstelle dessen ins Spiel eintreten. BKE ist ein "ewiges Spiel", bei dem an dieser Stelle neue

Spieler einsteigen können. Wer mitspielen möchte, kann sich beim GM auf die Wartliste setzen lassen. Bei Spieleintritt muß dann beim GM ein Konto eröffnet werden, denn bei BKE ziehen alle Spieler nacheinander und die Auswertungen daher separat per Brief verschickt. Die Kosten betragen ca. alle sechs Wochen je 1.20 DM. Wichtig: Wer mitspielen möchte, sollte das Spiel besitzen oder zumindest gut kennen! Eine Bezugsadresse kann beim GM nachgefragt werden.

Wizard Island

Turn 54.3



Overview

(Turn 53.E&A)

Nr.	Position	Player	Age	Tax	TV	Upk.	Purch.	Admin.	F-TV	Result	VPs	Average
1	B-AFR	Sturm	0/0									(0.00)
2	B-TUR	Scheben	0/0									(0.00)
3	B-GE1	Tücksen	6/6	0	0						0	(0.00)
4	B-SL1	Schunck	9/9	3	4						4	(0.44)
5	K-AFR	Franke	14/6	36	38	38	0	0=0%	0	Civil Disorder	218	(15.57)
6	K-VIK	Friedrich	17/5	15	16	11	4	0=0%	1	No Effect	106	(6.24)

Liebe Freunde!

Aller Anfang ist schwer: Dies scheint auch für den Neuanfang in Wizard Island zu gelten. Leider habe ich einige Zeit auf Orders von Peter Tücksen warten müssen, der, wie er mir per Postkarte vorsorglich mitteilte (Lob!), derzeit beruflich ziemlich im Streß stand. Wie gewohnt habe ich also auf seine Orders gewartet. Dann gab es bei mir einigen Heckmät... Ich hoffe aber, daß wir nach diesem "ersten" Turn wie-

der zu einem geregelten und zügigen Spielverlauf kommen werden. Nach wie vor bin ich aber der Meinung, daß es besser ist, notfalls auf verspätete Orders zu warten, als mit NMR's zu spielen. Oder seid Ihr anderer Meinung?

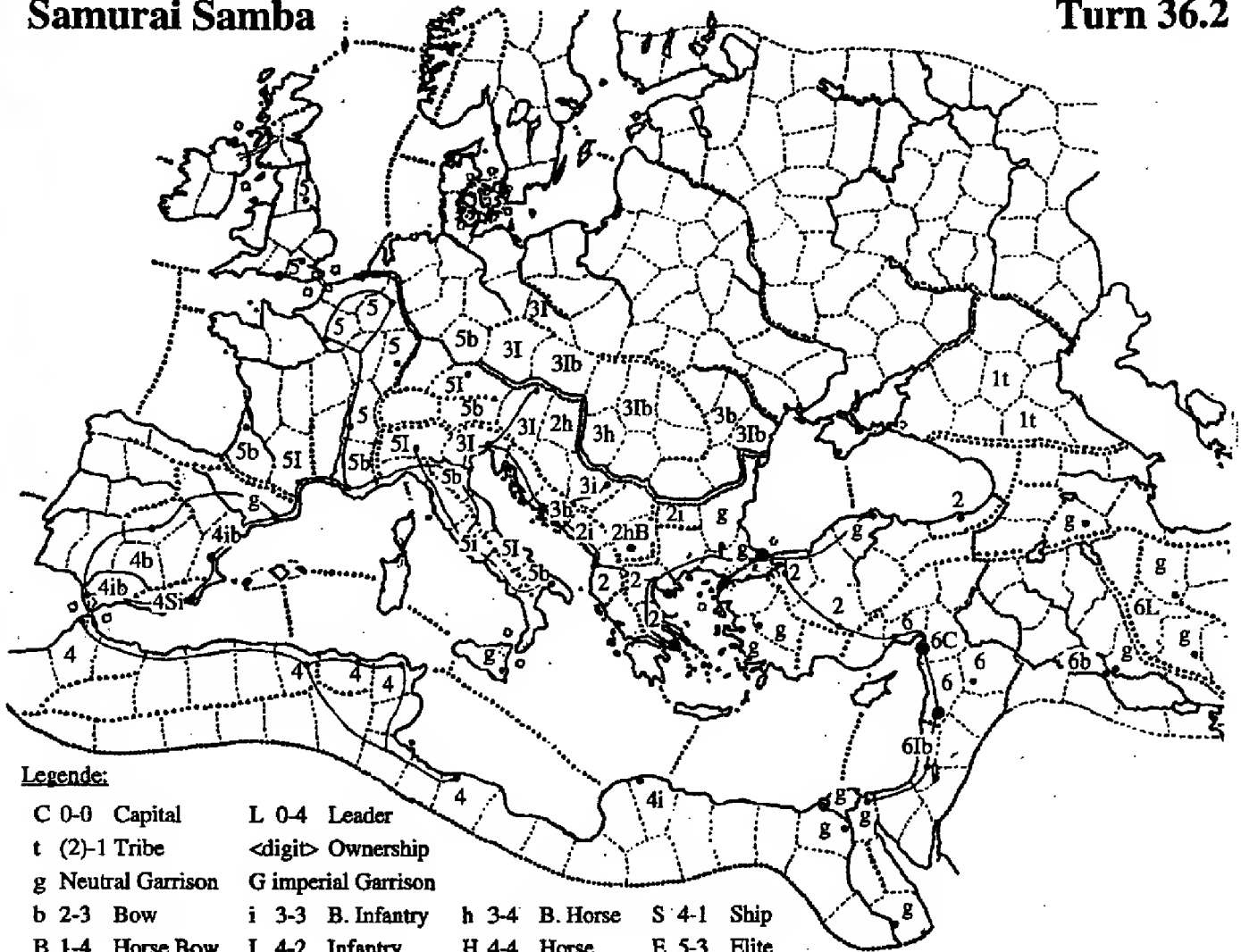
Ansonsten wünsche ich Euch frohe Ostern (gehabt zu haben),

Euer

Ingolf

Samurai Samba

Turn 36.2



Overview

(Turn 35.E&A)

Nr.	Position	Player	Age	Tax	TV	Upk.	Purch.	Admin.	F-TV	Result	VPs	Average
1	B-TUR	Stähr	0/0									
2	B-SL2	Stegemann	9/9	6	13				13		13	(1.44)
3	B-GE2	Hagenguth	9/9	5	8				8		8	(0.88)
4	B-AFR	Scheben	10/10	11	24				24		24	(2.40)
5	B-VIK	Alexy	12/12	16	44				44		44	(2.75)
6	K-ARA	Sturm	20/9	12	12	4	2	6=50%	0	Good Ruler	102	(5.10)

Liebe Freunde!

Wie in Wizard Island gab es auch in Samurai Samba einige Problem mit der Wiederaufnahme des Spielbetriebs: Nachdem ich von Joachim Hagenguth keine Orders erhalten hatte und ihn auch telefonisch nicht erreichen konnte, rief Joachim schließlich mich an und teilte mir mit, daß er aufgrund beruflicher Belastungen das Spiel leider nicht mehr fortsetzen kann. Ich habe mich dann um einen Stand-by bemüht und nun auch gefunden, so daß das Spiel nun weiter gehen kann:

Neuer Mitspieler ist Wolfgang Friedrich, der bereits in Wizard Island mitspielt. Seine Adresse entnehmt ihr bitte der Adressenliste. Ansonsten wünsche Ich Euch fohe Ostern (gehabt zu haben),

Euer

Wolfgang Friedrich

